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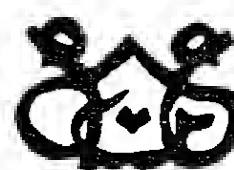
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## PLO warns: Israel prepares for attack

BEIRUT, July 7 (Agencies) — Palestinian commander Yasser Arafat said Sunday night that Israel was preparing for an extensive military strike against South Lebanon and added: "We shall be ready for them."

The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader was speaking at a rally to commemorate seven Israeli-backed Arab Liberation Front (ALF) commandos killed in an Israeli raid on Qassimiyeh in South Lebanon on June 30.

"I know that they (the Israelis) are preparing for a large-scale military operation which they will carry out in a few months. Perhaps one month, perhaps two. But they are preparing these operations," he said.

"We shall give Israel, Israel's allies and Israel's masters a lesson which they will not forget. We are on the lookout for them," he added.

Arafat accused Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin of ordering car bombs to be left close to Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon.

### Kuwait loans cheaper

KUWAIT, July 7 (AP) — Interest rates for both short and long-term loans fell sharply last week in Kuwait's local financial market, according to the weekly report by the Kuwait National Bank, released Monday.

Interest rates for overnight and weekly money fell from 7.5 and 8.5 per cent to 2 and 4.5 per cent respectively, the report said. It attributed this sharp fall to the selling of Central Bank bills by commercial banks, an influx of huge amounts of deposits into commercial banks and disincentive for transferring money into dollars, in view of the ever-declining interest rates on dollar deposits.

"Once he sent a car bomb to explode in Baalbeck, another in Hamra and then a third in the Shatila area near the camp," the PLO leader said.

Twelve persons were wounded in a car bomb blast on June 18 near a Palestinian camp in Baalbeck, northeast Lebanon. Twelve others were wounded in a similar blast near Shatila on June 7 and one person was killed and 22 others injured in an explosion in a fashionable Beirut suburb on June 17.

Abdul-Rahim Ahmed, secretary of the ALF, told the rally that the different Palestinian groupings needed to stand together to face Israeli terrorism.

"Palestinian national unity remains the decisive reply to the all-out terrorist war launched by the enemy against us, our people and our cause," he stated.

The Israeli raid on Qassimiyeh wiped out an ALF commando base.

Arafat also accused the Pentagon of participating with the general staff of the Israeli armed forces in preparations for the invasion "to serve the policy of Camp David."

In the past few days, Palestinian leaders have stepped up their calls for vigilance against Israeli operations.

Arafat addressing a 3,000-strong Palestinian-Lebanese rally at the Arab University of Beirut said U.S. President Carter has given Israel \$12 billion over the past three years, not to mention the F-15 warplanes and the F-16 jets which they got or are about to get, with the aim of liquidating the Palestinian revolution.

Arafat assured the rally that "the American planes will not scare us... and we will meet out on the Israelis and their American backers the same lesson the Americans had had in Vietnam, where their plans could not do



Yasser Arafat

them much good."

He vowed to resist the U.S.-sponsored peace process between Egypt and Israel and undermine the stalemate Palestinian autonomy talks between the same partners.

"The Lebanese and the Palestinian guns are united in the same trench, where they will herald a new dawn for Lebanon and the Arabs," said Arafat. "The Israelis will never be allowed to gulp Lebanon."

He added that the United States was "testing new weapons on the Palestinians" in southern Lebanon. These weapons have been pouring from the United States into the Israeli arsenal mainly to give the Camp David a shot in the arm, and also to help the Israelis attack the Palestinian revolution and throttle it, he said.

## U.S. role shameful, Fahmi says

KUWAIT, July 7 (AP) — Egypt's former Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi was quoted here Monday as accusing the United States of playing "a shameful role" in the Middle East, and as calling on the Arab states to reconsider their relationship with Washington.

"The American role in the Middle East has become a dangerous and shameful one which makes it a necessity for the Arab world to reconsider their relationship with the United States," Fahmi was quoted as saying in an interview with the daily *Al-Anba*.

"The U.S. voting on the Zionist settlement issue in the Security Council has been shameful and withdrawal of the vote has been worse than the vote itself. The U.S. has the right to vote the way it wants, but reversing the vote at the highest level, President Carter's level, carries very dangerous political connotations," he was further quoted.

"Furthermore, the American position on Israeli measures toward West Bank mayors implies very dangerous indicators that the American role has become absolutely indistinguishable from the Israeli role," the quote continued.

Fahmi resigned in November 1977 in protest over President Anwar Sadat's trip to Jerusalem. He was referring to President Carter's reversal of the U.S. vote at the Security Council for a resolution condemning Israel's settlement policy in the occupied West Bank of Jordan.

"If U.S. inability to counter practices which it believes illegal continues, the outcome will be shameful, which means President Carter is incapable of siding with justice, law and human rights," Fahmi was quoted as saying.



Ismail Fahmi

"What I am afraid of is that the American role has practically become a tool for implementing the Zionist schemes and this is proved by President Carter's recent statement threatening to veto any initiative on the Middle East by EEC countries," he said. He also accused the United States of "protecting Israel by helping it to carry out its aggressive policy (against Arabs)."

"Any American decision is virtually adopted in Tel Aviv with Washington refusing anything unacceptable to the Israelis," he was quoted as saying.

The newspaper quoted Fahmi as adding: "The United States has either to side with justice, peace and right or to concede its inability to do so because of Zionist pressure and lobbying. I hope the United States will reconsider its position and realize where its interests lie, otherwise the American role is like a conspiracy against the Arab peoples and interests."

"I am against the subservience of Egypt or any other Arab country to the United States or the Soviet Union and oppose any exclusive dominance of the area by either of the two superpowers. What I want is international balance in the region that protects the independence of all Arab countries," Fahmi said.

## Yemen leaders meet in Sanaa

SANAA, July 7 (Agencies) — South Yemen President Ali Nasser Muhammad left Kuwait Monday, making a previously unannounced visit to North Yemen to meet with President Ali Abdullah Saleh.

The surprise visit to North Yemen came after two days of talks in Kuwait between Ali Nasser and Kuwait ruler, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah. Kuwait previously has been instrumental in arranging contacts between South Yemen and some of its neighbors on the Arabian Peninsula.

Ali Nasser's trip to Sanaa follows a round of discussions of Arabist Peninsula and international issues with leaders of Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia. He was the first South Yemeni head of state to visit the UAE and Kuwait, although his predecessor, Saleh Rubye Ali, visited Saudi Arabia in 1977.

The presumed purpose of Ali Nasser's visit was to brief President Ali Saleh on discussions with Arabian Peninsula leaders during the past weeks. The two Yemen republics are committed to eventual unity, and several committees have been set up to explore the problems of forming a unified Yemeni government.

Although the political systems of North and South Yemen differ, with South Yemen a party to a 20-year treaty of friendship with the Soviet Union, the two governments have moved closer in recent months. Ali Nasser has helped along the process of improving relations with North Yemen since assuming office in April.

In a statement delivered on his recent arrival in Saudi Arabia, Ali Nasser pledged to work toward eventual unity with North Yemen, which receives financial help from the Kingdom.

### King meets academics

TAIF, July 7 (SPA) — King Khaled Monday received the deans and faculty of King Abdul Aziz University colleges in Mecca who thanked him for ordering the construction of a university for the holy city. The university, to be called Umm A-Qura, which is one of the Koranic names for Mecca, will be built shortly. King Khaled made the announcement during a party given in his honor by the people of Mecca last week.

## A decade of development Ministers discuss Iraqi plan

By Khader Nassar

AMMAN, July 7 (R) — Arab foreign and economic ministers meeting here aim to boost Arab solidarity and economic cooperation.

When the three-day meeting opened Sunday, Syria's deputy premier and foreign minister, Abdul-Halim Khadim, voiced reservations about the agenda because it did not include items on political problems.

The conference is expected to discuss an Iraqi working paper proposing an Arab decade of development which is expected to cost between 10 and \$15 billion.

The Iraqi News Agency quoted Iraqi Minister of Commerce Hassan Ali as saying the paper was meant to put an end to waste of Arab resources.

The Iraqi paper, according to Ali, lays down basic rules for the development of joint Arab economic machinery to serve Arab economic integration and raise the standard of living in the Arab world. Another working paper presented by Syria, provides for the use of Arab resources in liberating occupied Arab territories.

Earlier King Hussein of Jordan opened the conference with an attack on the Camp David peace process, which he called an "affront" to the Arab cause.

The Jordanian monarch, who met with U.S. President Jimmy Carter in Washington last month, reiterated his rejection of the U.S.-mediated talks between Egypt and Israel on a Palestinian autonomy scheme.

"It is a serious diversion and the Egyptian regime (of President Anwar Sadat) is running away from the Arab lines," said Hussein, who added the Egyptian initiative was "an affront to the Arab national commitments."

The United States has repeatedly tried to talk moderate Jordan into the Palestinian autonomy talks without success and the summit in Washington ended with the two leaders saying they continued to disagree on the issue.

Hussein delivered the keynote address to the delegates of the 21-member Arab League economy and social council. The delegates are to draw up an agenda for the Nov. 12 Arab summit in Amman.

The Jordanian king urged the conference to develop a long-range economic strategy to be submitted to the summit conference in November. Conference sources described the development of a coordinated economic

### Israeli arms maker, Hayim Slavine, dies

TEL AVI, July 7 (AFP) — Hayim Slavine, the father of Israel's arms industry, died Sunday at the age of 78. The Israeli cabinet observed a minute's silence on honor of the engineer who got round a United States on arms exports by buying up the machinery to manufacture weapons and ammunition at knock-down prices after World War II.

Underground factories equipped with Slavine's acquisitions turned out arms to fight the war with the Arabs.

Slavine, who was born in Czarist Russia and trained as an engineer, arrived in Palestine in 1924. He preferred to work anonymously and he was unknown to all but a few dozen of his colleagues.



Chancellor Schmidt and President Giscard d'Estaing

First since 1962

## French president visits West Germany

BONN, July 7 (R) — President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing arrived here Monday on the first state visit by a French leader to West Germany since Gen. de Gaulle in 1962.

Hailed in glowing terms by the Bonn government and the West German press, Giscard d'Estaing wants the five-day visit to signal the growing role of Western Europe in world affairs, French sources said. (See related story on page 14).

He and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt will plunge immediately into international politics at their first private meeting Monday when Schmidt was expected to give a detailed report of his talks with Soviet leaders in Moscow last week.

The belief that the West should maintain a dialogue with the Kremlin while making clear its objections to the Soviet military interven-

tion in Afghanistan and the growth of Moscow's nuclear arsenal unites the two leaders.

Chancellor Schmidt is expected to question Giscard d'Estaing closely on France's plans to develop the neutron bomb, which Bonn sees as an important contribution to assuring the defense of Western Europe and achieving a nuclear balance.

It will be the seventh private meeting they have held this year — a fact which, along with frequent telephone talks and ministerial exchanges, underlines the depth of the Franco-German friendship.

More divisive issues such as European Common Market finances, EEC enlargement and French trade restrictions will be left until eight French ministers join the president later this week for a full-scale Franco-German summit.

Before that, Giscard d'Estaing will visit five middle-sized West German towns and meet four state premiers on a tour which demonstrates the diversity of common projects in the fields of defense, culture, technology and industry.

German pomp and pageantry will accompany the president wherever he travels, beginning Monday with a state reception and a midnight fireworks display to the strains of Handel at a neo-baroque castle near Bonn.

French officials expect Giscard d'Estaing to make a major speech on world politics at Monday night's state banquet given by his West German host, President Karl Carstens.

## Autonomy talks in Cairo delayed

TEL AVIV, July 7 (AP) — Egypt has asked for a delay in the reopening of Palestinian autonomy negotiations that had been scheduled for Thursday in Cairo, Israeli officials said Monday.

Reports in Israeli newspapers said Tel Aviv was concerned that the delay was for political reasons rather than the technical problems which Egypt cited in saying that Butros Ghali, Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs, was unavailable on Thursday.

Ghali was to have headed the Egyptian delegation to talks on legal issues in the negotiations on self-rule for 1.5 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Egypt suspended the year-long negotiations two months ago, but top negotiators from Israel and Egypt met in Washington last week and agreed to resume the U.S.-mediated sessions.

A spokesman for Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir, who was to have headed the Israeli delegation to Thursday's talks, said Tel Aviv was waiting for new word from Cairo on when the talks would start.

Israel earlier had rejected an American proposal that it sign with Egypt an outline agreement on Palestinian autonomy

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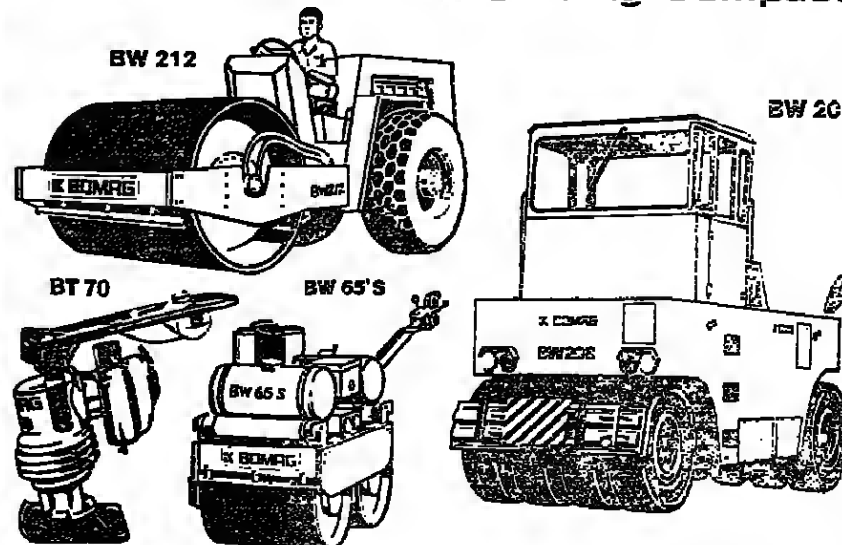
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## From Engineering Corps

## Sultan meets graduates

TAIF, July 7 (SPA) — Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan Sunday evening honored a new class of graduates from the Engineers Corps Academy.

The prince was met on arrival by Gen. Muhammad Al-Hammad, the chief of general staff; Col. Muhammad Hamed Al-Beheri, acting commander of the Engineers Corps; and Col. Abdullah Menawer Al-Harbi, commander of the academy.

The ceremony began with recitation from the Holy Koran, following which Col. Beheri greeted Prince Sultan and expressed his delight for having among the graduates brothers from fraternal Arab states. He said the men studied side by side with their Saudi brothers in all sectors of the armed forces to give substance to the notion of Islamic solidarity and be the nucleus of the army which will liberate Jerusalem from the Zionist grip. "They will protect the Islamic and Arab nation from all spite and greed from outside." He also dealt with the functions of the Engineers Corps. He said the academy prepares the necessary technical cadres to attain the level aspired for.

Col. Habi next reviewed the various stages of development of the academy and its progress in the field of training. He said that 212 cadets graduated today, including brothers from Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and North Yemen, and have been the best ambassadors of their countries and profited from the lessons offered them and the possibilities

placed at their disposal by young Saudi instructors. He called on the graduates to show themselves worthy of the responsibility placed on their shoulders and to remember always that theirs is a dangerous profession and that self-confidence is the main thing in their work.

A graduate then addressed the ceremony on behalf of his colleagues. He expressed his thanks and appreciation to the teaching staff for all that they have exerted in order to train them best on the most advanced methods. A representative of trainees from brotherly Arab countries also delivered a speech.

The graduates then paraded before the rostrum of Prince Sultan, following which the results of the training courses were announced and Prince Sultan handed the diplomas to the graduates. A military band then played the royal anthem and the prince and his party went to visit the external exhibition. He then took some refreshments and the officers' rest and left.

The ceremony also was attended by Governor of Mecca, Prince Majed and a number of princes; Sheikh Othman Al-Hamid, an aide to Prince Sultan and other senior officers.

The academy offered its first course in 1955 and the first group of 25 officers and men graduated at the end of the first year. Those who graduated from the academy so far number 2,804. Ten courses were offered this year for 222 officers and men. The school gives training on field and construction material, as well as on engineering equipment of all types, heavy or light, and all the necessary equipment for modern wars at all levels. It also gives training to public security personnel. A new compound is under construction for the academy and will receive advanced equipment to supply the army with all the technicians it needs.

Gen. Hammad, the chief-of-general-staff, said that the officers and men are now capable of manning the most advanced water equipment and stand ready to ward off any attack on their country or Islam's shrines, foremost among which are Jerusalem and the occupied Arab territories. He said that the fact that Prince Sultan attended the ceremony in person showed how keen he is on fostering all sectors of the armed forces.



CEREMONY: Prince Sultan and Prince Majed are greeted during ceremonies for graduates of the Engineers Corps Academy.

## For 30 buildings

## Qasim preparing school bids

QASIM, July 7 (SPA) — Documents are under preparation to invite bids for the construction of 30 schools in the Al-Qasim area. In addition, the buildings housing a number of schools in certain cities will be replaced by prefabricated structures.

A report received Saturday by Governor of Qasim, Prince Abdullah ibn Abdul Aziz, on education in the area, also mentioned there are 230 primary schools, 54 intermediate and eight secondary as well as a model agricultural institute, an intermediate college, 200 literacy schools, six night intermediate schools,

three night secondary schools and three institutes for the blind.

The directorate of education in the area also received a 10,000 square meter plot of land to build a new public library in Buraidah, according to the report which said that bids will be invited soon for this project.

Prince Abdullah was satisfied with the report, but called for more efforts to be exerted for a wider educational base in Al-Qasim.

Meanwhile, it is reported from Al-Qatif that the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs has in its 1980/81 budget provisions for the implementation of projects worth more than SR1.2 billion in various cities and villages in the Kingdom.

Qatif Mayor Mansour Marzouq said that among these projects are a study on the sewage of Qatif, Buraidah and Hasa for which SR46,776,814 have been allocated; the numbering of streets in the city of Qatif and some other cities for which SR3,661,200 have been earmarked; and sewage drainage and backfilling of swamps in Qatif and its villages for which SR581 million have been appropriated. He also cited projects such as completion of the Qatif and its neighboring villages sewage network for which SR350 have been earmarked; and other projects connected with the embellishment of the city of Qatif, the surfacing of its streets, the construction of pavements and the lighting of streets for which SR30 million have been appropriated for a first phase.

Marzouq said that other projects approved include the operation of Qatif water network (SR7 million); a study to hook Qatif to a common water network (SR3.8 million); the drilling of wells in Qatif and its villages (SR5 million); expropriations in the old quarters of Qatif (SR300 million, two thirds of which will be spent this year); and the second phase of the improvement and embellishment of some cities, including Qatif (SR7.62 million).



Prince Faisal ibn Fahd

## Cultural exhibit opened

RIYADH, July 7 (SPA) — Prince Faisal ibn Fahd, director general of the Youth Welfare Organization, opened First Collective Exhibition of Plastic Arts in the Central Province at the Cultural Center in Riyadh Saturday. The paintings represent the environment, nature and the heritage.

A total of 23 artists are putting on a display 72 paintings at the exhibition under the patronage of the Saudi Cultural and Artistic Society. The prince marked his appreciation at the visitors' book for the great talent of the Saudi artists participating in the exhibition.

## prayer times

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Ishraq	5.52	5.38	5.18
Dhuhr	12.33	12.33	12.05
Asr	3.50	3.54	3.27
Maghreb	7.09	7.15	7.16
Isha	8.39	8.45	8.16

## WEATHER

Normal summery weather is expected in most areas. Warm during the day and moderate at night, humid at coastal areas and dry inland. Medium and low clouds may gather in resort areas and the south-western highlands bringing possible thunderstorms and showers.

Winds will be northerly to north-westerly during the day in most areas, causing sand haze.

Conditions in the Red Sea will be calm to moderate, and moderate to choppy in the Gulf.

Monday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade):

Mecca	43	29
Jeddah	40	26
Riyadh	42	27
Dhahran	42	31
Medina	41	29
Taif	34	25
Jizan	36	30
Qassim	40	24
Hail	36	21
Jubail	40	29
Abha	30	15
Baha	26	13

## Al Bashir arrives in Tokyo

Japan Bureau

TOKYO, July 7 — Dr. Faisal Al Bashir, deputy minister of planning, arrived in Tokyo late Sunday night at the invitation of the Japan Cooperation Center for the Middle East.

The center consists of a group of Japanese leaders in industrial and business fields involved or strongly hoping to take part in various aspects of business in the Middle East. Dr. Al

Bashir will explain the salient aspects of the third five-year development plan to more than a hundred business and industrial leaders on July 8.

Dr. Al-Bashir is also expected to present the highlights of the second five-year plan's achievements. This will be the first explanation of the third five-year development plan of the Kingdom to the Japanese, the Japan Cooperation Center for Middle East told Arab News in Tokyo.

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## At Al-Hada

## King to dedicate new military hospital

TAIF, July 7 (SPA) — King Khaled will dedicate the new Al-Hada Military Hospital here on Wednesday, it was reported.

The hospital was built to serve the needs of the military stationed in the region, but will also serve the needs of the local people, Brig. Gen. Abdul Rahman Linjawi, hospital director, told Arab News in an exclusive interview.

"This hospital shows how the government is concerned with the area and people," he said. Al Hada Hospital and Rehabilitation Center has three objectives. It will meet the immediate health care needs of the military forces in Taif, coordinate with other medical facilities in the Kingdom in an effort to provide the most comprehensive health care available without duplicating services, except for those emergencies requiring immediate attention and to offer on-the-job training for



King Khaled  
Saudi citizens and to ultimately replace the largely foreign medical staff with a totally

Saudi Arabian staff.

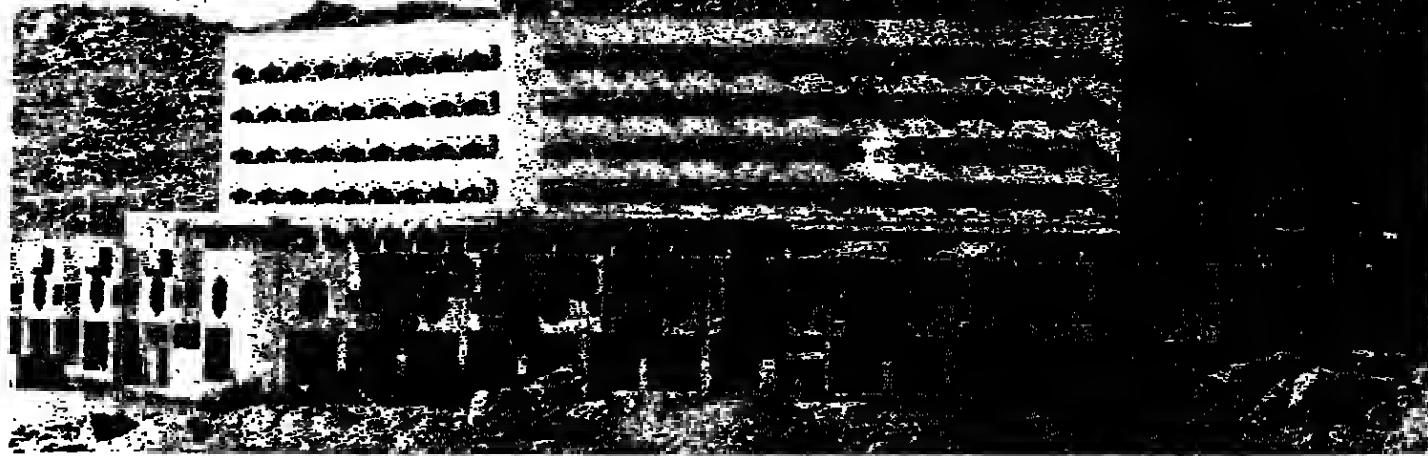
Initially, the medical complex in Taif will be managed by National Medical Enterprises (NME), a California-based health care services company, which was awarded a five-year contract for management. An NME representative said the goal is to replace NME personnel with professional and trained Saudi Arabians by the end of the contract.

The management of the hospital is split into two phases. The first phase encompasses the first year of operation, which will see the hospital opening with a 110-bed capacity. The Rehabilitation Center will open with 50 beds. Also opening will be a Rehabilitation Clinic and two Taif Air Base Clinics.

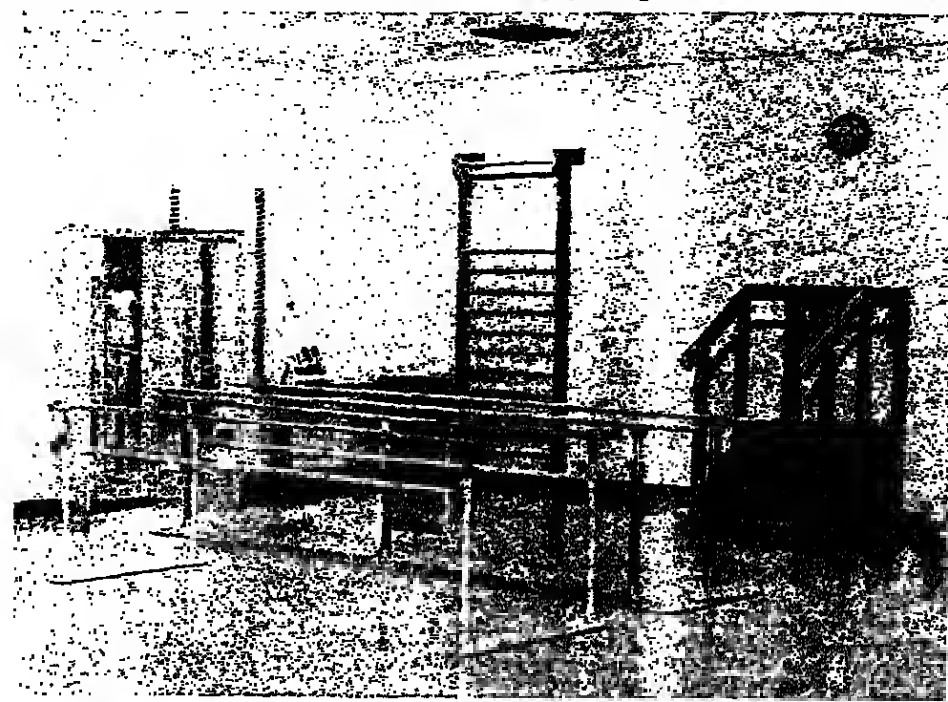
The hospital will initially have such medical capabilities as kidney dialysis for acute and chronic cases, burn treatment, surgical theaters, and comfortable, well-equipped rooms for the Saudi Arabian soldier.

In addition to serving the members of the Saudi Armed Forces, the hospital will handle some emergency cases for civilians. The Rehabilitation Center is principally designed to offer physical therapy treatment and occupational therapy. Here, the Saudi soldiers will be assisted in regaining their original job skills or learn new skills. Like the hospital, it will have a clean, modern operating room, X-ray facilities and other laboratories.

Both facilities have modern kitchen equipment and separate areas for men and women. Residences surrounding the hospital complex will house the doctors, specialists, and nurses needed to staff the medical facilities. The staff will consist of NME employees during the first phase, but a worldwide search is already underway for a permanent staff.



HOSPITAL : The Al Hada hospital in Taif is the newest hospital to be erected for both military and local people in the Taif region. The facility brings the most up-to-date medical technology to the area and is a gift by the King and Crown Prince.



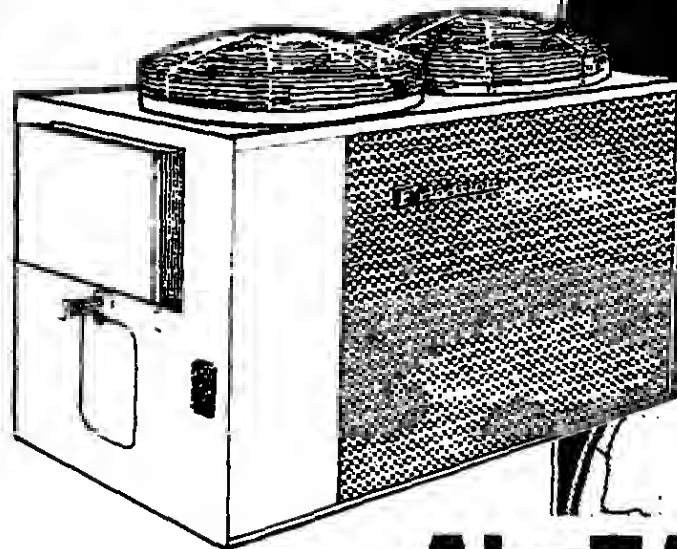
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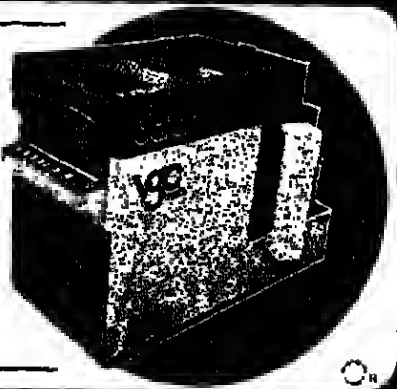
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## EPLF: Ethiopians receiving new arms to launch offensive

KHARTOUM, July 7 (AFP) — The Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) has predicted a new all-out offensive by the Ethiopian army on fortified liberation movement areas in the Red Sea province. An ELF bulletin received here Sunday said the Ethiopian authorities have brought quantities of sophisticated Soviet-made weapons including nerve gas into Eritrea.

The bi-weekly "Dimtsi Hafash" said the Addis Ababa regime has "been making extensive preparations to launch another large-scale offensive against the Eritrean

Liberation movement." "Ethiopia has quietly but substantially increased its already large stockpile of sophisticated weapons," the bulletin said.

C. hundred new Soviet-made tanks and more than 500 other military vehicles had been unloaded in the Eritrean port of Massawa, while hundreds of artillery pieces and other heavy weapons and numerous jet fighters had arrived in Eritrea.

Weapons new to the Ethiopian arsenal provided by the Soviet Union included two dozen Mi-24 helicopter gunships, the bulletin said.

## PLO aides to visit Japan

TOKYO, July 7 (R) — Four representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) will make a private two week visit to Japan from July 20, the PLO's Tokyo office said Sunday. The office said the delegation was invited by the Tokyo-based Japan-Palestinian friendship society.

A group of Japanese parliamentarians, last year invited PLO leader Yasser Arafat to visit Tokyo, but informed sources said such a visit was unlikely soon because the Japanese government had not recognized the organization.

tin added. These and another 100 helicopters were recently unloaded and assembled at the Debre Zeit airbase south of Addis Ababa, it said.

In addition to this sophisticated hardware, more than 200 Soviet military experts and advisers have arrived in the Eritrean capital of Asmara and in addition to their other duties were expected to take charge of flying the helicopter gunships, he bulletin said.

It commented: "Serious as the introduction of helicopter gunship and additional Soviet military personnel is, the distinguishing and most disturbing feature of the planned offensive will be the Derg's (Ethiopian military government's) use of Soviet-supplied nerve gas."

The bulletin said that "large quantities" of nerve gas had already been brought to the Sahel battle front in northeastern Eritrea. "Chemical weapons carry with them immense potential for causing civilian casualties," it remarked.

## Israelis divided over settlements

TEL AVIV, July 7 (R) — The Israelis are almost equally divided over the controversial question of putting up further settlements in the occupied Arab West Bank and Gaza, according to a public opinion poll published Monday. Carried out by the Public Opinion Research Council for the independent newspaper, *Haaretz*, the poll showed that 44.3 per cent of those questioned opposed further settlements, while 40.2 per cent were in favor.

An additional 6.8 per cent supported the establishment of new settlements if they are government authorized.

Some ultra-nationalist Israeli groups have put up settlements in the occupied areas without government approval. The settlement issue was one of the reasons why Egypt suspended Palestinian autonomy talks with Israel recently. Earlier Israel has announced it would go ahead with its plans for Arab East Jerusalem in defiance of the United Nations Security Council resolution. A sharply worded ministry statement denounced the resolution as a "blow to peace." The Security Council last week voted 14 to none with the United States abstaining to censure Israel.



DISCUSSING TURCO-GREEK DISPUTES: Turkish Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel, right, and Greek Foreign Minister Constantine Mitsotakis at the prime minister's office in Ankara recently reviewing Turco-Greek disputes.

## Turkish generals seeking to improve army standards

ETIMESGUT ARMY BASE, Turkey, July 7, (R) — Under the scorching sun of the Anatolian plateau, a company of T-48 tanks moves toward straw-colored hills. The dried grass flares up on impact of the shells.

Maj.-Gen. Pagan Gures, commander of the armored training division at this base near Ankara, is proud of his tankmen. But he also says he needs to devise new tactics because his Korean-war vintage tanks mounting a 90-mm guns could be overcome in a straight fight with the kind of modern Soviet tanks used in Afghanistan.

Turkish generals, guarding a 610 border with the Soviet Union, are searching out for military aid to modernize their large but ill-equipped army.

"We are not asking for sophisticated weapons. We want cheap, efficient ones for our soldiers to do their job," said a senior officer at the general staff headquarters in Ankara.

"Sixty per cent of our navy units are obsolete and a navy captain said, from his office overlooking the Bosphorus, the only exit to the Mediterranean for the powerful black sea fleet.

The Turkish Air Force, with some 340 combat planes, has some relatively modern squadrons but is struggling to keep its F-104 Starfighters and F-4 phantoms, despite a lack of spare parts. Turkish military equipment has fallen badly since the three-year arms embargo imposed by the U.S. Congress in 1975 since Ankara used U.S.-provided arms for its intervention in Cyprus and because of the country's economic predicaments.

But besides the hardware shortage, Turkish general acknowledge that the Turkish army's effectiveness in its NATO role has been affected by its preoccupation with applying martial law and the conflict with Greece over Cyprus and control of the Aegean air and sea space. Greece left NATO's integrated militant structure in 1974 to protest against the Turkish landing in Cyprus and NATO efforts to reintegrate it have not succeeded yet. All officers are acutely aware of the increased strategic importance

assumed by Turkey for the West since the upheavals in Iran and the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Official briefings stress Turkey's vital role on NATO's south-eastern flank. It locks Soviet expansion toward the Middle East and can deny its access to the warm open sea. They said that the Warsaw pact's first priority in a war would be to open the straits and push toward the Middle East oil fields.

But Turkish generals do not hide their dismay at the way they consider the West has been slow to help Turkey, reducing them to the role of NATO's paupers.

"We were for too long the forgotten ally," a general staff officer said bitterly.

Turkish generals say they are closely watching what goes on beyond their eastern border. But they do not believe that the Soviet Union could stage a surprise attack on Turkey although informed sources confirmed that some of the 12 Soviet divisions of the Transcaucasian region have been placed on higher state of preparedness.

Asked whether Afghanistan-type guerrilla warfare was planned in case of a Soviet invasion on eastern Turkey, a general said it was high in the list of priorities of the general staff but declined to give details because the subject was classified.

The Turkish general are reluctant to discuss the situation in eastern Turkey and border area with Iran where an important Kurdish minority lives. Journalists are discouraged from visiting that part of Turkey and even Western military attaches in Ankara find it difficult to arrange a trip there, diplomats said.

They said Turkey has not discussed yet how a West German \$ 285 million special military assistance will be spent. But it has let it known it would like to have anti-tank weapons and leopard tanks.

A few hundred U.S.-made M-48 tanks could be modernized by putting in a diesel engine and mounting a 120mm gun instead of the present 90mm type, they said.

## Turkey seals opium escape route

By Juliet Peace

ANKARA, July 7 — Turkish opium fields are blossoming with blue and white flowers, heralding the approaching harvest. But this year the government has vowed that "not a single poppy" will find its way to the drug gangs. Agents of the United States Drug Enforcement Agency, who work closely with the Turkish authorities, tend to agree.

Turkey, they say, has made a "remarkable effort" to control the farming of the plant. The centuries-old "incision method" of opium extraction has been banned and each of the 117,000 farmers authorized to grow opium has to sell the entire crop with undamaged pods to the government's Soil Produce Office.

The villages of the seven provinces where opium-growing is allowed are criss-crossed by mobile police patrols inspecting the fields. The government has estimated that some 10,000 tons of what is known as "poppy straw" will be produced this year, for sale to pharmaceutical firms. That will earn Turkey \$ 3.5 million in hard currency.

Turkey was one of the main sources of supply of heroin to Western Europe and North America. This source came to a halt when Turkey banned poppy-growing between 1972 and 1974, thus helping to destroy the so-called "French Connection."

The ban was rescinded for a variety of local reasons, including tradition, economics and a strong farmers' lobby.

Although controls on cultivation seem to be working, that is not true of the effort to check massive smuggling of opium from the so-called "Golden Crescent" — Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran. Most of the opium

produced in the three countries — between 1,500 and 1,600 tons a year — is now smuggled into Turkey across the mountainous Iranian-Turkish border.

A whole network of primitive laboratories has been set up in villages in eastern Turkey where the "morphine base" — a fine brown powder — is transformed into heroin. The drug is then smuggled into Western Europe. Plots where legal cultivation is allowed are limited to 1.25 of an acre. They must be in one piece and situated close to a village.

The plant has more uses than opium and heroin production: its stalks are valuable as fodder, for farm roofing and heating. The grains are pressed for oil and some is used to decorate the traditional peasant bread.

The poppy grows in poor soil where other crops are difficult to cultivate. Each plot produces a cash crop worth about \$ 200 a season. Although such an income is small by Western standards, it goes a long way in the impoverished Anatolian villages. Besides, the farmer keeps most of the stalk and grain. The government collects only the pod with five obligatory inches of stalk.

The so-called "poppy straw" is converted into "poppy straw concentrate" (PSC) before being sold. At present Turkey has an excess stock of 60,000 tons of straw. This will be reduced considerably when the Turks complete construction of their own processing plant.

Most of the PSC is used for the production of morphine. If reflected by Turkish production figures, the demand has been diminishing: While in 1978 Turkey produced 35,000 tons of poppy straw, the figure dropped to 12,000 in 1979. This year a further drop of 2,000 tons is expected. —(OFNS)

## Mideast briefs

KUWAIT (R) — Kuwait has joined Saudi Arabia and Bahrain in lifting political and economic boycott of Zimbabwe which the United Nations had imposed against the former white-ruled Rhodesia, the government announced Sunday. The U.N. ended its 15-year embargo following the African country's independence recently.

KUWAIT (AFP) — A former South Yemen President Abdel Fatah Ismail, who resigned last May for what were announced as health reasons, is seriously ill after an operation in Moscow, the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al Watan* said Monday. Quoting responsible South Yemeni sources *Al Watan* added that

Ismail was suffering from intestinal problems, which caused him to resign.

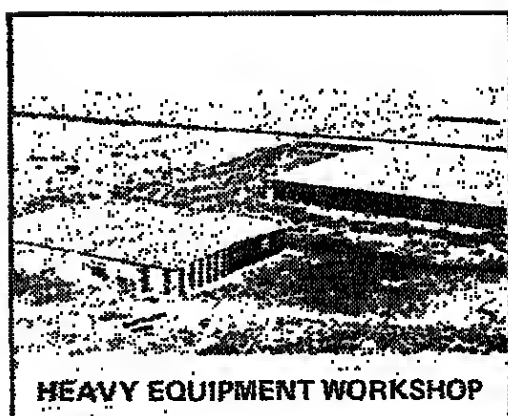
MALTA (R) — A bomb exploded outside the office of Libyan Arab Airlines on the outskirts of Malta's capital Monday causing damage but no casualties, police said. There was no immediate claim of responsibility.

BAGHDAD (R) — Two hundred Moroccan families are due to arrive in Iraq in mid-February next year to work in this country, the Iraqi News Agency reported. It said this was agreed at talks held here Sunday by Idris Noulani, director of rural affairs at the Moroccan interior ministry, and Karim Jasssem, director of the Iraqi peasants federation.

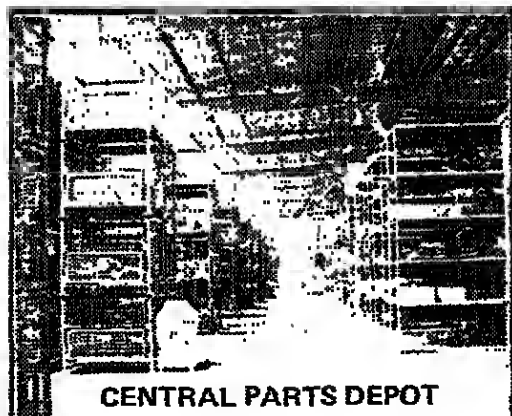
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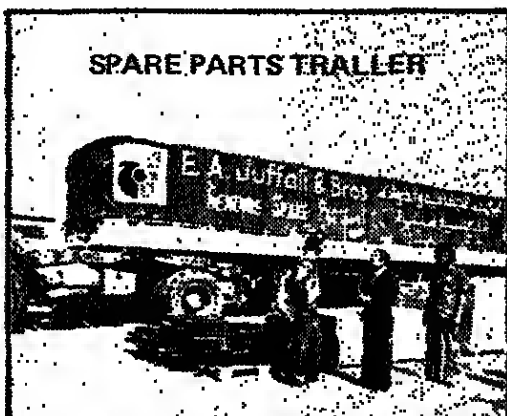
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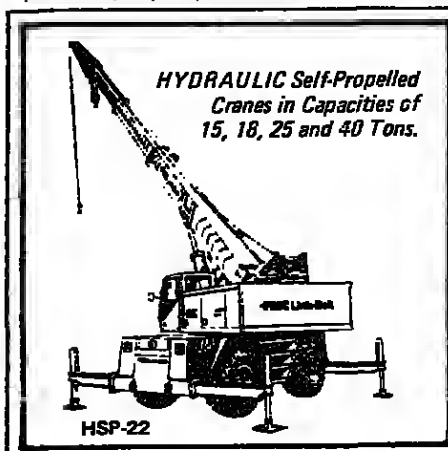
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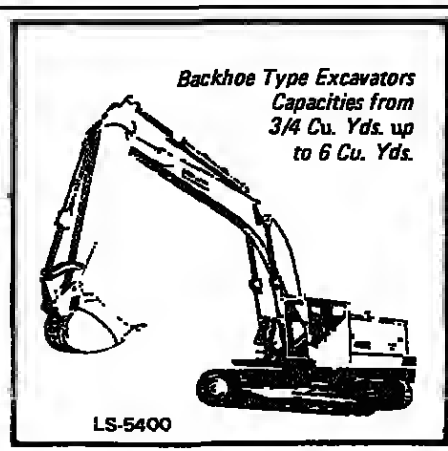
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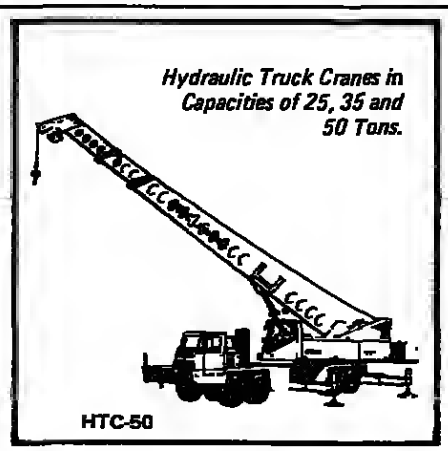
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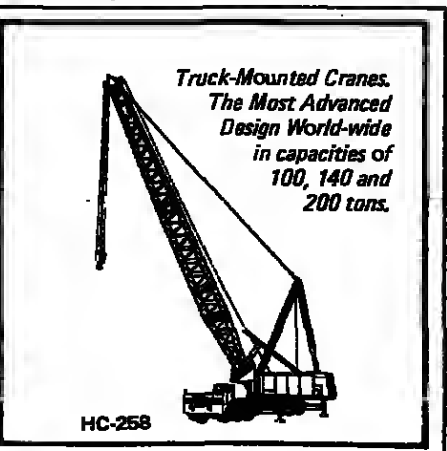
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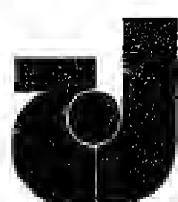
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## In Phillies' win over Cardinals

## Carlton new lefty strikeout king

NEW YORK, July 7 (AP) — Philadelphia's Steve Carlton, the major leagues' winningest pitcher this season, recorded his 14th victory and became baseball's all-time left-handed strikeout king Sunday in helping the Phillies to an 8-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

The 35-year-old veteran, who got ninth-inning relief help from Ron Reed, struck out seven to boost his lifetime total to 2,836. The all-time strikeout leader is right-hander Wal-

ter Johnson, who fanned 3,508 in 20 years with the Washington Senators. Carlton is in his 15th season.

Garry Maddox helped the Philadelphia cause by scoring a run in the fourth on Bob Boone's sacrifice fly and hitting a three-run homer in the ninth.

Meanwhile, Omer Moreno's run-scoring single in the 20th inning ended a five-hour, 31-minute marathon and gave the Pittsburgh Pirates a 5-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs in

major league baseball's longest game this season.

In other National League action, errors by Dave Collins and Junior Kennedy allowed two Houston runs in the fourth and the Astros went on to a 3-2 victory over Cincinnati. Gary Carter's two-run single keyed a five-run Montreal 10th inning and carried the Expos to a 9-4 victory over New York.

Milt May's bases-loaded single with two out in the top of the 10th inning broke a 4-4 tie and San Francisco went on to a 7-4 victory over Los Angeles.

In the American League, Gary Aleknjir smashed his second pinch home run in two days, a three-run shot in the sixth inning, to give Cleveland a 5-3 victory the New York Yankees. Tony Perez and Carlton Fisk combined to drive in five runs, leading Boston to a 6-4 victory over Baltimore.

Chicago's Jim Morrison and Harold Baines both singled home first-inning runs to back left-hander Steve Trout's five-hitter as Chicago beat Oakland 2-0 in the first game of a doubleheader. The White Sox won the second game 5-4 on Greg Pryor's two-run homer in the ninth.

Ed Halicki pitched two-hit ball for 8 1-3 innings and Jason Thompson blasted a home run to carry California to a 2-0 decision over Milwaukee. Bich Heber drove in three runs and scored the winning run to back the combined six-hit pitching of Jack Morris and Aurelio Lopez as Detroit defeated Toronto 7-5.

Bruce Bochte and Tom Paciorek hit home runs and collected four hits apiece to power Seattle past Kansas City 5-3. Fernando Arroyo and Jerry Koosman combined on a four-hitter, pitching Minnesota to a 4-1 victory over Texas.

In a National League night game, Gary Matthews brought Atlanta from behind with a three-run homer in the sixth inning and Jeff Burroughs followed with a two-run blast, powering the Braves to a 6-5 victory over the San Diego Padres.

## Swedes to suffer with Borg ailing

ROME, July 7 (APF) — Bjorn Borg will not play for Sweden in the Davis Cup "A" finals against Italy from July 11 to 13 here, Swedish captain Andres Siegbren said Sunday.

Siegbren said Borg, who is suffering from a pulled stomach muscle, first injured during his third match at Wimbledon against Australian Rod Fawley. "To continue at Wimbledon and win," said the Swedish captain, "Borg made a great sacrifice. But after consulting his doctor, he has had to drop out of the Davis Cup final in Rome."

An exhausted Borg left England Sunday, reluctant to talk to reporters but nonetheless pleased with his fifth straight Wimbledon men's singles win over American John McEnroe.

McEnroe, who also left before Borg, vowed that he would "get the bearded wonder" — a reference to Borg's growing a beard during the Wimbledon season every year.



SUSPENSION: It wasn't clowning around like this at Wimbledon recently that banned Romanian Ilie Nastase from Davis Cup play for 18 months. It was bad language and behavior, said the International Tennis Federation.

## Nastase banned from Davis Cup

LONDON, July 7 (AP) — Ilie Nastase, Romanian tennis star, has been banned from Davis Cup competition for the next 18 months by the International Tennis Federation because of bad behavior in the European semifinal Davis Cup tie between Britain and Romania at Bristol in June.

All the incidents came on the last day of the match when Nastase had to beat Britain's John Feaver to win the tie. Twice during that game he was warned for using bad language both to the crowd and Norwegian referee Cato Vik.

Nastase eventually beat Feaver in five sets. He also beat him again in the first round of Wimbledon last week, but Saturday's announcement placed doubts on Romania's chances of advancing in the Davis Cup competition, when it meets Czechoslovakia in the European zone final in Prague next week.

David Gray, secretary of the international federation, said Saturday that Nastase's suspension would continue for the rest of this year and throughout the whole of the 1981 competition.

It was the second time in three years that the 33-year-old Romanian had been suspended from the Davis Cup and each time it followed incidents in a tie with Britain. In 1977 Britain lost a stormy match 4-1 in Bucharest in which Nastase struck Britain's David Lloyd with his racket and used bad language against his opponent.

## In heavyweight bout

## Holmes battling Ledoux

BLOOMINGTON, Minnesota, July 7 (AP) — Larry Holmes and Scott Ledoux, a couple of former truck drivers who have met with varying degrees of success in the prize ring, fight Monday night for the World Boxing Council title held by Holmes.

At ringside will be a former employer of Holmes — Muhammad Ali who appears headed for a fight with his onetime sparring partner or with Ledoux.

"I want to see how much he's progressed since he's my hired hand," said the 38-year-old Ali who retired as a three-time champion.

## Simpson gets Western mark in 1st pro title

OAK BROOK, Illinois, July 7 (AP) — Young Scott Simpson, thriving under pressure, won the Western Open golf tournament Sunday by five strokes, closing with a cool 72 for a course record 7-under-par 281.

Only in this second year on the PGA tour, Simpson, 24, kicked up his heels at his peers, who vainly waited for him to choke, to make the 77th Western Open his first tournament victory — the same as Tom Watson did in 1974 at age 24.

The only player really to make a chase at Simpson, the 1976 and 1977 NCAA champion from the University of Southern California, was Hale Irwin. Irwin, playing in the same threesome with Simpson along with Joe Imman, cut the winner's lead to three strokes after he birdied two of the first three holes. But that was the closest he could come and Simpson was cruising with a four-stroke lead after the first nine holes.

Simpson birdied the long seventh with a five-foot putt, but bogeyed the ninth. Simpson really proved his mettle over the par-72 Butler National course that stretches a challenging 7,097 yards, by taking an eagle on the 478-yard 12th, while Irwin birdied it. He dropped a 15-foot putt to go 9-under-par and take a 5-stroke margin over Irwin.

More pressure came on the 14th when Simpson's second shot landed in the dirt at the side of a tree. He chipped short of the green, then rolled seven feet from the pin before sinking the putt to salvage a bogey. Irwin got his par and Simpson led by 4 strokes with three holes to go.

With Irwin three putting the 17th for a bogey, Simpson iced the victory with a par four. Irwin completely faded with a double bogey 6 on the last hole as he wandered into the sand and rough, while Simpson reached the green in three and two-putted a bogey.

Irwin finished with a 73 for 287 and lost second place to Andy Bean, the 1978 Western title. Bean tried to make a stab at it, but finished with a 71 for 286 in a round that included two bogeys and three birdies.

Simpson won \$54,000, more than he made last year as a rookie on the year and boosted his 1980 winnings to \$102,213.

"There is going to be a fight. That's definite... sometime in September or October," said promoter Don King, who is talking about Egypt as a site for a Holmes - Ali battle. But some boxing observers feel the fight will end up at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

First the 30-year-old unbeaten Holmes must get past the 31-year-old Ledoux who has a checkered career. Holmes is an overwhelming favorite to succeed.

"I'm going to make this an easy fight. Believe me," said Holmes, who has scored knockouts in six previous defenses of the title he won on a split decision over Ken Korton on June 9, 1978. The record for consecutive knockouts in heavyweight title defenses is seven. Joe Louis reached that figure twice.

"I've been nervous for a month and a half," said Ledoux. "I'm not nervous because of the fear of Larry Holmes, the biggest fear of all is failure."

Ledoux, who has a 26-8-4 record with 17 knockouts, will get his big chance here before a national television audience. The television broadcast will also include a WBC super-heavyweight title fight between Saul Mambly of New York and Esteban Dejesus of Puerto Rico, the former lightweight champ and the only man ever to beat Roberto Duran.

Mambly, who has a 27-12-5 record with 13 knockouts, won the title by stopping Kim San-Hyun of South Korea in the 14th round in Korea last February 23. Dejesus has a 56-4 record, with 31 knockouts. His victory over Duran, the former lightweight and now WBC welterweight champ, was a 18-round decision in 1972. He was knocked out by Duran in two later fights.

This will be Mambly's first appearance on national television. Ledoux has been on national TV before — against Johnny Boudreaux, George Foreman, Leon Spinks, Ron Lyle, Ken Norton and Mike Weaver.

## Raas races on to 3rd Tour win

NANTES, France, July 7 (R) — World champion Jan Raas of the Netherlands won his third stage victory in the Tour de France cycle race's ninth stage Sunday.

The Dutchman was declared the winner after Irishman Sean Kelly, who had crossed the line first, was disqualified for having pushed Belgian Jos Jacobs in the final sprint. Almost all the 118 riders still in the race finished at the same time, including overall leader Rudy Pevenage of Belgium who retained his yellow jersey.

Kelly and Raas are the recognized best sprinters in the race and their rivalry in the final sprints have become one of the highlights of the tour. The Dutchman had already won the second and seventh stages while the Irishman is still chasing a stage victory.

Race favorite Bernard Hinault had a quiet day which helped him to further heal his strained right knee. The 25-year-old Breton seemed to have fully recovered from the injury which nearly forced him to retire last week.

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Milwaukee	42	34	.558	7½	Cincinnati	41	37	.519	1½
Baltimore	42	36	.538	9	New York	38	40	.487	5
Boston	41	36	.532	9½	Chicago	33	43	.434	9
Cleveland	37	39	.487	13	St. Louis	34	46	.425	10
Toronto	33	43	.434	17					

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Kansas City	47	33	.588	—	Houston	45	33	.577	—
Chicago	38	41	.481	8½	Los Angeles	46	34	.575	—
Seattle	37	42	.468	9½	Cincinnati	41	38	.519	4½
Oakland	36	45	.444	11½	Atlanta	37	40	.481	7½
Minnesota	35	44	.443	11½	San Francisco	37	43	.463	9
Seattle	35	45	.438	12	San Diego	34	47	.420	12½
California	29	48	.377	16½					

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## A DIFFERENCE OF FORM

The balance of probability is that little significant change will take place this summer in the protracted crisis in the Middle East. The main reason for this is the reluctance of the Begin government to see any real advance in the "autonomy" negotiations with Egypt. That government, given that the Knesset will go into recession at the end of this month, so that there is no real danger of a new confidence vote against it, will remain in power until at least this autumn.

Such paralysis is precisely what President Carter requires. He is quite unable to exert any pressure on Israel, wanting no trouble from Jewish voters at home. His dearest wish is that the time until the presidential elections passes as quietly as possible, so that his electoral chances sustain the minimum of damage.

The Egyptian government, on the other hand, views the hiatus with apprehension, although it realizes it can do nothing about it. Egyptian impatience has surfaced most dramatically recently in President Sadat's statement against Israel's stands on the question of religious schools in Al Khalil (Hebron) and that of settlements in the West Bank generally. The statement is seen as at once a genuine expression of concern at Israel's continuing intransigence, and as a move in the negotiation game, affording cover for a possible Egyptian withdrawal from it if prospects showed no signs of improvement.

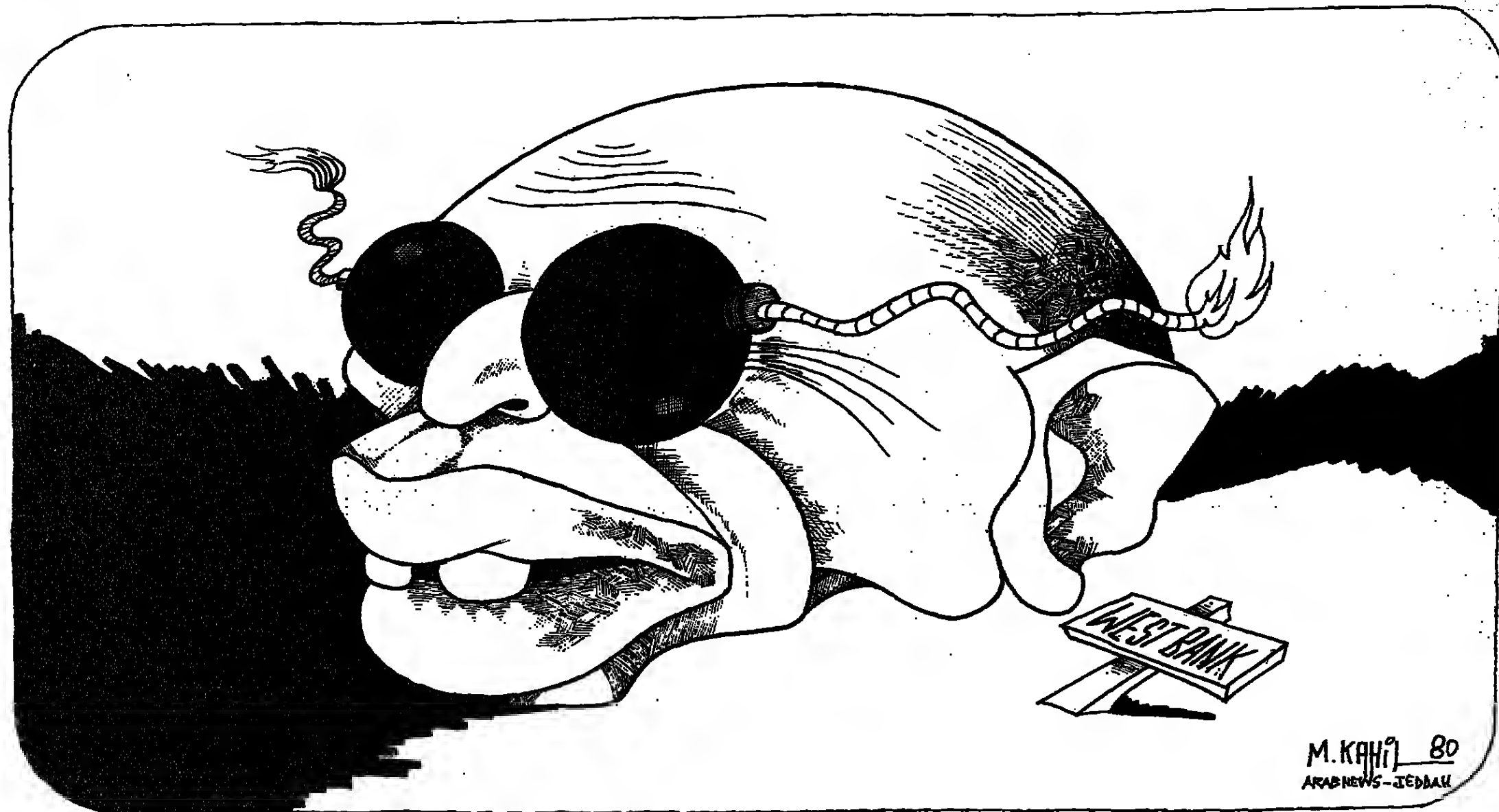
The rest of the Arab world, whose foreign and economic ministers are meeting in Amman this week, and whose leaders are expected to gather before the end of the year to redraw their plans against the Camp David formula, also realizes that the effective factors in the equation are still the question of the future of the Israeli government and the results of the American presidential elections this November.

On the results of the American elections, the Arab world still hopes for a Carter win. But if he fails to get re-elected, and Reagan took his place at the White House, then the Arab countries as well as all the parties to the Middle East problem know that an entirely new phase of American involvement will begin, one which they cannot prepare for in advance.

As to the Begin government, it seems now secure enough, having survived a confidence vote in the Knesset, which is soon to go into recess. This means that it can be recalled only in the event of an emergency; and that no further confidence motions can be possible in it until later when it resumes sittings. This leaves only one possible source for a change in the Israeli scene, which is a Begin retirement because of ill health or even death.

In this connection, President Sadat said last week, somewhat indirectly, that things will improve a great deal were the Labor coalition to return to power. This is a feeling ardently shared by the American administration, which is known to have worked behind the scenes for a change of regime in Israel. But this optimism about Labor's intentions is not shared by the rest of the Arab world, for whom the difference between Likud and Labor is one of form rather than substance.

The tragedy, from the Arab point of view, is that although they have warned Sadat a long time ago against the futility of dealing with Begin, they have been unable to formulate and implement a positive course of action through which events can be influenced in the direction they require. Their coming summit is expected to arrive at an agreement on the broadcast — and therefore, necessarily, most diluted — principles ensuring maximum mobilization. The hope is that it will also be able to combine broadcast of mobilization with effectiveness, something which has been unfortunately lacking up to now.



## U.S. black women gain insight into Palestine cause

By Bob Lebling  
and Fouzi Asmar  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — "We have been deprived of true understanding and knowledge of the Palestinian people in this country," says Dr. Alyce Gullatte, a psychiatrist at Howard University Hospital here. "And we are so unilateral in our mentality as it relates to them, because our press has done that to us."

Gullatte is one of nine black women professionals — members of the Women's Ad-Hoc Committee on the Middle East — who recently returned from a fact-finding mission to the region aimed at seeking out the truth about the Palestinian situation and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

"After going there, there is no way that you can come back and allow that (bias) to persist," Gullatte said, "or for that matter not to take issue with anything that might come up as it relates to the Palestinian people." Her views were echoed by the members of the ad-hoc committee, including Anne Johnson, a senior staffer for Congressman Walter Fauntroy and organizer of the trip, and Reverend Mamie Williams, pastor of the Calvary United Methodist Church here.

The three committee members were interviewed by Arab News upon their return to the United States. Their trip took them to Lebanon and Syria, and included visits to the Palestinian refugee camps, a tour of embattled South Lebanon, and meetings with Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat and Lebanese Prime Minister Salim Hoss.

Also part of the delegation were Dr. Janette Hoston Harris, history professor at the University of the District of Columbia, Brenda Strong Nixon, executive director of Associates for Renewal in Education, Inc., Starmanda Bullock, chairman of Howard University's art department; Sandra Turner Bond, communications director of the National Business League; Denise Carty-Bennia, law professor at Northeastern University in Boston; and freelance journalist Leila McDowell.

During their trip, the delegates met whenever possible with people in their own professions, to assess medical, educational, religious and other needs among the Palestinians and Lebanese. They tried to determine "how we might help in humane areas," said organizer Johnson, "because we don't purport to be negotiators, only professionals in our chosen fields who can address specific humane problems."

Another major committee goal was "to help the rest of the country (the United States), and black people specifically, understand what's going on there, and what the direct impact of war in the

Middle East and the Palestinian problem is on black Americans," Johnson said.

"Subjectively, as a black American female, I think that I'm a different person because of the experience," she said. "I had no preconceived notions that were realistic of what a war is and what it does to a people," Johnson said, referring to the ongoing troubles in Lebanon, particularly in the South.

"What I saw," she said, "in Lebanese and Palestinians and everyone we met in Lebanon was the degree to which the human will and spirit could rise above the kinds of incomprehensibly vile adversities that are being perpetrated upon them."

Pastor Williams noted that most of the delegates went to the Middle East with the notion "as is painted in our media that the Palestinians are terrorists." But, she said, "in each instance of meeting persons who were Palestinians and part of the struggle, the emphasis was on persons attempting to identify themselves, to have some self-identity, to have some real understanding and a determination to identify a home for themselves — which is not what we are exposed to (in the U.S.)."

Williams described how on one occasion the delegates spoke with two Palestinian children on the road to Sidon.

"We asked them about (Israeli raids), and their response was that the raids had not yet begun for that day. The attitude was: surely, it will happen. And these were young children. 'To be reared in that kind of atmosphere, and still be open to even responding to a question like that, for me underscores the Palestinian families are very close-knit, and even in the midst of the struggle there's a level of familial ties that cannot be broken,' Williams said.

All three committee members emphasized that the human spirit had not been crushed in Lebanon, among either Lebanese or Palestinians, despite five years of civil unrest.

"There's too much interdependence in Lebanon for there to be any waning of spirit for the masses," Gullatte said.

Williams reinforced this, adding that she had discussed this interdependence with Gabriel Habib, executive secretary of the Middle East Council of Churches.

Habib, "being a Christian Lebanese, gave a perspective on the situation that was very objective, in terms of Muslims and Christians at this present time trying very hard to work together, primarily because of need and an understanding that Lebanon has always been a kind of melting-pot of the cultures, it had always opened its doors, and been very supportive of the Palestinian cause because it's an issue of human rights."

Gullatte said the committee's delegates were deeply affected by their meetings with Palestinians

in Lebanon, meetings with a broad cross-section of people from different professions and lifestyles.

The Palestinians, she said, had an impact on them in three different areas: spiritual, socio-political-economic and humanistic. "By spiritual impact," she said, "I suspect for me it meant we had an opportunity to see religion in motion, and not religion institutionalized."

"By that, the Palestinian people live what they believe, in terms of a divine power guiding them for the re-establishment of their country. And that emanates from the leader (Arafat), because in his wisdom he is almost beatific, and he appears very much like a holy man."

"There is no question in my mind, even though I'm not a student of religious philosophy, that God's mercy shines on him."

In their meeting with Arafat, the PLO leader was asked, "What do you say when you speak to your God?"

According to Gullatte, Arafat replied: "I ask God for mercy to stop the tragedy on my people, and to watch over us while we attempt to overcome the kinds of inhumanities that are heaped upon us."

In social, political and economic terms, Gullatte and her colleagues found the Palestinian people "to be extraordinary gifted and creative, with a will and a motivation for survival that is matched by none, by no other group, in the Third World or elsewhere."

The Palestinians have established their educational system "from a zero base — they have not imported intelligence to establish anything," she said.

"They have had to develop an economic base, pulled together from the remnants of what they had in terms of a culture, as part of memory, and to re-establish that as a very moving force in order to provide for themselves the kinds of things that they need."

"We saw SAMED," Gullatte said. "It's an economic development to match any that you might see. They not only make provisions for the internal needs of the people, but they also see to it that there is some external interaction in terms of commerce that can then bring funds in that will help them to continue."

Gullatte noted that the Palestinians' "sociological intertwining with that economics is one that others most assuredly look to as a model."

In the Palestinian socio-economic system today, "everyone has a place to do something, whether your abilities are limited or limitless, regardless of who you are, you have a role to play in the struggle," she said.

In regard to the humanistic impact, Gullatte noted how the Palestinians share of their capabilities with those around them.

"They extend their generosity to the people with whom they live," she said. "They extend their health services, for example, not only to their own but to the people who live nearby."

This generosity has surpassed the boundaries of their local neighborhoods: throughout the Third World, she said, Palestinians extend "their generosity and their creative spirits to other countries that need that kind of manpower and resources."

On another level, Johnson said "I think, too, that we can't overlook the political astuteness of the Palestinians."

For example, she noted the Palestinian movement's "complete respect" for the pluralistic form of government and society "that Lebanon wants to retrieve and maintain."

Johnson added: "That political astuteness says to me that if no other people on earth can co-exist, the Palestinians can." She said it was "very interesting" that Premier El-Hoss and Chairman Arafat "said exactly the same things" during their conversations.

The two leaders' views were parallel on such subjects as the ineffectiveness of United Nations resolutions on the Middle East, the justice of the Palestinian cause, the need for a comprehensive peace, and the necessity for educating the U.S. and other parts of the world on the realities of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

"The prime minister was especially concerned that we bring that (point) back" — about the need to help Americans understand there is another side to the conflict, Johnson said. "And the chairman — even though we made individual and collective commitments that were tangible, professionally, to them — said, as did everyone, 'If you can't do these things, we will understand. Just go back and tell the truth. We want only for you to understand. That's what is important to us — that, one by one, we inform the world of our plight and the justice of our cause.'"

The committee members said they plan to act "through professional, religious and social associations to which they belong, to provide whatever material help they can — medical, educational and otherwise — to the Palestinians and their Lebanese neighbors who have been brutalized by the conflict in the area."

"We also plan to accept as many invitations as possible, to do (TV and radio) talk shows and to discuss this with the media," Johnson said. "We'll meet with church groups and Sunday schools and PTAs (parent-teacher associations) and the classes that we teach, and hold seminars and forums whatever we can, to increase that knowledge."

"When you leave there, that's all you want to do. You want to get one other human being to understand the pain and the beauty of the entire situation and the people."

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

The Kingdom's newspapers carried the following three stories on their front pages Monday: King Khalid's scheduled opening of the Hada Military Hospital Tuesday, Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan's assertion that the Kingdom's armed forces are the defenders of Islam and Arabism, and the opening of the Arab Economic and Foreign Affairs Conference in Amman Sunday.

While presiding over the graduation ceremony at the Taif Maintenance Corps School, Prince Sultan said Saudi Arabia will purchase arms from countries friendly to the Kingdom. In other front-page news, *Okaz* ran a story on the airports being built in Jeddah and Riyadh; it quoted Sheikh Nasser Al-Asaf, the head of the Civil Aviation Department, as saying that the major portion of his SR11 million budget is targeted for those two airports. *Al-Yom* gave prominence to a statement by West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt concerning the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan; he said the Kremlin is considering a political solution to the war there.

Editorial writers continued to comment about Crown Prince Fakhd's commencement address at the King Abdul Aziz Medical College. *Al-Madina* said he clearly specified the Kingdom's pledge to stick by its principles without resorting to "intrigues and malicious campaigns." The paper once again noted that Israel will be punished for its sacrilegious treatment of Jerusalem and its terrorist activities against the Palestinians. It added that Saudi Arabia will continue to protect the faith and defend usurped

rights by all legitimate means possible.

*Al-Riyadh* also editorialized about Prince Fakhd's speech. The Crown Prince sincerely and honestly spoke of the Kingdom's firm and positive stand on Arab rights and important domestic issues, the paper said. *Al-Riyadh* said it believed the Kingdom's strength arose out of its eminent role in Arab and Islamic relations. In reference to media attacks on the Kingdom and Saudi Arabia, *Al-Riyadh* said such campaigns were to be expected since the Kingdom has never and will never be willing to bargain with the legitimate rights of the Palestinians.

*Al-Riyadh* went on to say that the government will weather any storm in defense of its policy toward the Palestinians. The paper described the Kingdom's attitude toward the region as follows: The government believes that, despite different Arab political systems, the Arab nation, is one family. And any blemish or flaw in this completion will have no effect on the Arabs' brotherly relations. The paper said those relations were based on a common history and values.

An *Al-Bilad* editorial said Saudi Arabia's firm progress has antagonized colonialists, Zionists, and Communists. They are, therefore, trying to jeopardize Arab progress to meet their own objectives. The paper once again noted that the government has always been keen to expose this trio to the world. The paper also endorsed the Crown Prince's views by saying that the Kingdom will always be

among the foremost pursuers of peace, justice, and the withdrawal of Israeli forces from occupied Arab land.

*Al-Jazirah* discussed the Arab Minister's conference. It urged them to come up with a unified strategy which would achieve Arab objectives. This strategy would cement mutual understanding, coordi-

nation, and solve crucial issues effectively, the paper said. *Al-Jazirah* noted that the absence of this strategy has made unity impossible.

*Al-Yom* also urged Arabs to put aside their differences. Solidarity is a dire necessity, it said. Like *Al-Jazirah*, *Al-Yom* also noted that practical approach to Arab issues will help solve them.



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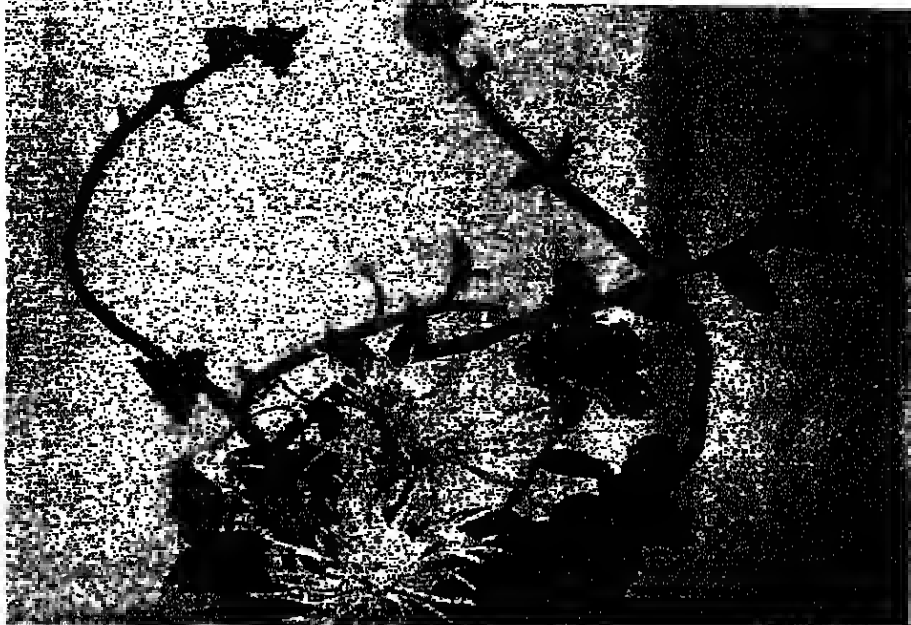
## Ikebana floral art

## Adding a touch of Japanese beauty

By Kathy Lund

JEDDAH — A floral art form that has developed in Japan over hundreds of years is blossoming in popularity in Jeddah. Ikebana, a very specialized form of flower arrangement is being taught by Sue Watabe, who has studied for a number of years at the Sogetsu school in Akasaka, in the heart of busy Tokyo.

Ikebana is practical as well as beautiful. One can make a delightful arrangement using branch material from the garden and as few as three flowers. Also, it lends itself readily to the use of local varieties of flowers and plants.



**SIMPLE STYLE:** Less is more in Ikebana, where the arrangement of floral decorations is meant to suggest symmetry between all parts of the whole. The style began almost 1,000 years ago, in Japan's imperial court, but is now being taught in Jeddah.

In Jeddah, for example, Watabe makes full use of the local abundance of canna, oleander, bougainvillea, Jeddah daisies and numerous other forms of greenery that flourish here.

Watabe said that the tradition of Ikebana goes back in Japanese history over 1,000 years. Initially it was the province of the Imperial family and the nobility, but gradually specialists developed.

Today, three main schools of Ikebana exist: Ikenoba, Ohara and Sogetsu. The first two embody the traditional style of flower arrangement that has been handed down over the

centuries. Sogetsu represents a break with the past, or at least a rationalization of it.

"With Ikenoba and Ohara there were no actual rules which people could learn," Watabe said. "To learn the techniques, potential specialists would study with the masters and try to absorb the concepts by carefully studying the arrangements. It was really the development of a feeling for the art style involved."

All that changed with the creation of the Sogetsu school. This school was founded about 60 years ago by Sofu Teshigahara. What Teshigahara did was draw up a set of rules regarding Ikebana that average people could follow.

"Teshigahara felt that the traditional methods of learning Ikebana were no longer suitable for modern day living, where time was much more precious," Watabe said. "Thus he worked out certain principles regarding the art—the length of branches in relation to the size of the vase, the length of flowers in relation to both those former dimensions, the angle at which flowers and branches should be placed."

"With the drawing up of these rules it became much easier for ordinary people to learn Ikebana, or at least a style of Ikebana. Many people, particularly women, started to study flower arrangement. It reached the stage where all Japanese women were expected to be able to do Ikebana."

Watabe said that although Ikebana lost some popularity as a subject with girls after the Second World War and the advent of a more Westernized lifestyle, it has actually flourished in other ways. Increased worldwide knowledge of Japan has resulted in an international appreciation of Ikebana and it is now taught in a number of countries.

She added that while the Sogetsu school has been the driving force behind the increase in popularity, the traditional schools were

regarded as "very precious" for maintaining the original concepts of the art form. In fact, these schools are modernizing, now have more appeal for the young.

The name Sogetsu comes from "so", meaning "grass", and "getsu", meaning "moon". Watabe said the combination of the two is meant to embody the feeling behind Ikebana, which is the creation of a harmony between the universe, nature and man. The three main principles of the Sogetsu school are that flowers can be arranged by anyone, can be displayed anywhere, and anything at all may be used as material for any arrangement.

A simplification of the rules of "everyday" Ikebana is that the overall arrangement is based on lines determined by the "shin", or branches, of three different lengths, set at angles varying according to the style of the arrangement.

For example, in one particular arrangement, the main, or longest stem, called the "shin", may be set leaning slightly forward from the upright at an angle of about 10 to 15 degrees. The middle sized branch, or "soe", may be set to the left of the "shin" at an angle of 45 degrees. The smallest branch, or "hikae", may then be placed to the right of the "shin" slanting forward at an angle of around 80 degrees. These three main lines will then be supported by flowers set at other more or less specified angles in relation to them.

The length of the branches is also predetermined, usually by the size of the vase. For example, the "shin" is commonly the diameter of the vase, plus its depth, plus half this measurement again. The "soe" is then three-quarters of that measurement, while the "hikae" is three quarters or one-half the length of the "soe". The overall appearance of the arrangement should be a harmony between the container, the branches used, the flowers and the water in the vase.



**JAPANESE BEAUTY:** The overall concept of Ikebana is the arrangement of flowers or branches of different lengths, set at varying angles. The entire arrangement is an exercise in symmetry, suggesting harmony between the universe, nature and man.

## Chinese hunger for more ballet

By Donald Kirk

SHANGHAI (OFNS)—Four years after the death of Chairman Mao and the end of the Cultural Revolution, the Chinese masses are still starved of new and different kinds of live entertainment.

They can watch their own traditional Chinese operas on television or in local theaters almost any night of the week, but it is ballet that they really want to see.

The arrival of a foreign ballet troupe inspires a special sense of excitement akin to that surrounding the opening of a major new film or stage show in the West.

Government agencies snap up tickets and dispense them to a favored few. Black marketeers sell them at up to 100 times the low list price of less than \$1 each and crowds wait for hours hoping to pick up the handful on public sale.

"The Chinese have brought in so many ballet companies, we wonder if they shouldn't introduce other types of entertainment," said an American cultural official after a sell-out tour by the Boston Ballet.

Foreign ballet is so popular that Chinese officials anticipate a rapid resurgence in their own ballet, at last recovering from the ravages of the Cultural Revolution.

Troupes in Shanghai and Peking are not only producing their first original works in more than 15 years but are also rehearsing Western classics. "We are creating more dances and themes that people like," said Chao Shu Ching, deputy director of the Shanghai Ballet Company.

The themes largely reflect the "Four Modernizations" demanded by China's leaders in their drive for improvements in industry, science and technology, agriculture and defense. But Chao insisted her choreographers and dancers had far more scope than ever before.

One of the Shanghai company's new numbers seemed to illustrate the point. A pretty girl, dressed in white tights and wearing a tiara from which flowed a flimsy white train, engaged in a graceful de deux with a young man in a grey blouse and pants. The number reached a climax with the girl whirling across the stage bearing a flashing red light encased in plastic, all to the tune of organ music by Ravel.

The name of the ballet, said Chao, was "Love for the Light", and the purpose was to describe how man conquered light and used it for mankind. On another level one might perceive it as a strong plea for harnessing energy resources.

Another reason for the popularity of ballet is that it is still the only medium in which performers can appear in colorful costumes revealing bare shoulders and legs. It was largely for that reason, said an official with the Chinese central television network, that televised Western ballet performances are enormously popular. With only three million sets in the country, officials estimated that up to 30 million people watched a single version of "Cinderella" by the Boston Ballet.

The fact that the Boston Ballet is a second-echelon company, held in considerably lower critical esteem than either the American Ballet Theatre or the New York City Ballet, was irrelevant. Normally staid audiences repeatedly burst into applause.

"The Chinese dance is developing," said one Chinese ballerina, intently studying the steps of the visiting dancers. "We have to learn from them. We all want to understand ballet in the United States and Europe."

For their part, members of foreign ballet troupes credit Chinese dancers with a basic technical ability rivaling that of most members of their own troupes.

Indeed, although the revival in ballet began three years ago, China's troupes have only recently gained enough expertise and confidence to perform regularly. "This is a pioneering period," said Celia Franca, founder of the National Ballet of Canada, advising the Peking Ballet College.

The main problem, said Franca, on her third visit to China as a consultant and teacher, is a lack of foundation in classical ballet. In just a few years, she predicted, Chinese ballet students will be on a level with the best in the world.

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## Stranded in Arizona by smugglers

## Desert heat kills illegal aliens

TUCSON, Arizona, July 7 (R) — Thirteen illegal immigrants from El Salvador, including nine women and a 13-year-old boy, died when border smugglers left them without water in the blazing heat of the Arizona desert. Police in helicopters and on horseback reported finding 13 survivors, including three women, from the immigrant party.

The survivors who were rambling in their speech and dizzy until given water, said the smugglers led them across the Mexican border into Arizona on Saturday, stole their money and then deserted them.

They said they had walked about 48 kilometers in the desert in the southwest corner of Arizona where the temperature hovered

on 49 centigrade.

They did not know the exact number in the group and a spokesman for the National Parks Service said a search would continue Monday for more survivors or bodies. But he believed any further survivors had gone back into Mexico. "There is no way anyone could live in the Arizona desert for three days without water," he said.

The plight of the immigrants was discovered when one of them staggered on to one of the few roads in the area and stopped a passing motorist. The National Parks Service spokesman said smugglers ran a thriving business leading illegal immigrants past U.S. border patrols along the Mexican border and

into the Arizona desert.

The smugglers charge up to \$200 a head to guide illegal immigrants past the border patrols and sometimes rob the immigrants. Bandits also wait along the border to rob illegal immigrants. The Salvadorans were said to be running from the civil strife in their country.

A million illegal aliens are captured by patrols along the Mexican border each year. Most are Mexicans but about 10 per cent come from Guatemala, Ecuador and El Salvador.

Asked whether the survivors would be sent back to Mexico, the National Parks Service spokesman said the border patrols would have to make that decision.

## Hydroelectric dam inoperable

## Namibian warfare blocks power source

RUACANA FALLS, Southwest Africa July 7 (AP) — The dam and power station at this African beauty spot could supply all the electricity needed for Southwest Africa, but it has become a casualty of war. "There's been some shooting around here," said John Langford, a strapping blond South African engineer who runs the station deep within a mountain beside the 122-meter contract on the border with Angola.

On a shelf above the clocks and dials of the station's main control board, 126 meters under the mountain, is a collection of spot small arms rounds and fragments of two rocket-propelled grenades fired by guerrillas of the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) who operate from bases in Angola.

The scheme to harness the Cunene River just before it plunges down the Ruacana Shelf on its way to the south Atlantic was conceived in 1964 by South Africa which administers this territory, also known as Namibia, and the Portuguese who then ruled Angola.

Work began in 1972 to build a dam across the Cunene at the crest of the falls about 1.6 kilometers inside Angola and a four-turbine power station — with a total capacity of 320 megawatts — on this side of the border.

About \$283 million, most of it South African capital, has been spent on the project. But before the power station could become fully operational, Portugal granted indepen-

dence to Angola on Nov. 11, 1975, and abruptly withdrew in the midst of a civil war which eventually led to the installation of the Marxist MPLA government.

Shortly thereafter the Angolan government, supported by an estimated 15,000 Cuban troops and supplied with arms by the Soviet Union, allowed SWAPO to set up its bases in southern Angola.

The fourth 80-megawatt turbine was never installed. Langford, pointing to the control board meant to accommodate its dials, said it probably never will be as long as war goes on.

Since 1977, Angola has refused to divert water from the river to drive the generators. Five sluice gates were left open, allowing the Cunene's waters to flow uselessly to the sea most of the time.

Sometimes during the rainy season, however, the water reached the level of the intake pipe and the turbines could be used sporadically.

Earlier this year, Langford was reportedly involved in a bit of derring-do to ensure a regular supply of water. According to newspaper reports from Windhoek, the Namibian capital, Langford, two other officials of the Southwest Africa Water and Electricity Corp. (SWAWEC) and eight Portuguese workmen were flown across the border by helicopter Jan. 9 and closed the sluice gates on the abandoned dam.

South Africa is very sensitive about being accused of any incursion and Langford

denied any knowledge of the operation. He did say the station has been getting a regular supply of water.

The problem now, however, is SWAPO sabotage. Recently the power station was generating only 1.5 megawatts of electricity for Ruacana township. On April 20, SWAPO blew up five pylons just south of Ruacana, cutting the powerline to the rest of Southwest Africa.

The explosions plunged most of the territory into darkness, bringing the border war home to many of its nearly one million people. The blackout lasted about 4½ hours in Windhoek and 1½ hours in Walvis Bay on the Atlantic coast before SWAWEC could switch over to coal-fired power stations.

The pylons were still down, and SWAWEC had not decided whether it was worth repairing them, at a cost of \$13,000 each. Guerrillas also hit the power line on April 3 and repairs had just been completed when they struck on April 20.

"It is senseless playing this silly game," Polla Brand, SWAWEC general manager, told reporters after the latest incident. "To keep fixing the line costs a massive amount of money."

He said prices will go up because coal-fired generation is much more expensive than hydro power. Southwest Africa, though rich in diamonds, uranium and other minerals, has virtually no coal. It has to be imported from neighboring South Africa.



SEARCH: Military men pat-search pedestrians on a street in El Salvador in a drive to halt political violence that has crippled the tiny Central American country. The soldiers check identity cards and confiscate weapons. Violators are said to be taken aside and shot.

## Substitute politics for bows and arrows

## Amazonian Indians fight land-hungry whites

BRASILIA, July 7 (AFP) — They pumped six bullets into his body. The seventh, meant to finish him off, lodged near his eye, but he is still alive.

He smiles and shakes the reporter's hand. He is one of the Indians who have been attending the 14th assembly of Brazilian Indian chiefs, which concluded near here recently. His story: "The white men wanted my land. Their pistoleiros attacked me."

The final bullet is still imbedded in his flesh, too dangerous to remove surgically. In his Amazon territory hospital bed, he trembled with fear that the white doctors would finish him off.

His face is half paralysed. Since the shooting, he has spent his life in hospitals for whites, with curses in white, and white walls. Surrounded by white, yet there is no place for him in this white world.

The Indian chiefs represent 26 of Brazil's 150 tribal groups and 14 of the 21 Brazilian states or territories where Indians live.

Brazil's National Indian Foundation (FUNAI), in the midst of a crisis for the past few weeks, opposed the assembly of chiefs, the biggest the country has ever seen and organized by the Native Missionary Council (CIMI).

In the south of the country, six Kaingang Indians en route to Brasilia were intercepted by the police, arrested and forcefully made to return home.

Raimundo Cruz, chief of 250 Abichana Indians, fears the worst. The whites want to take over his land, he says. It is so easy to export the outs that grow there. "The whites threaten to kill us and all we have are bows and arrows."

Raimundo lives in the Roraima territory, but he has never heard of the Yanomani Indians who live in the same territory in the Amazonian jungle near the Venezuelan border. A Brazilian congressman is attempting to expel the Yanomani, the world's largest tribal society which still maintains its culture and way of life, Raimundo said.

Along the 150 kilometer frontier region bordering on Venezuela and Guyana, the congressman would prefer not to see any more Indians. Their land is rich in gold, uranium and tin.

The chiefs' assembly, held annually since 1974, was aimed at an exchange of experiences and a comparison of similar problems. In Brasilia this year, Jose Uoupi, of the Chuar (Ecuadorian) Indian Federation, explained to the Brazilians how Ecuador's 30,000 Chuar Indians organized.

The Chuar founded their federation 17 years ago. They meet directly with Ecuador's highest authorities to settle their problems and defend their land.

Aware of the international nature of colonization of the Amazon, where most Chuar

live, they keep in touch with the Indians of other countries, notably Peru.

Participants in the assembly also saw a Brazilian documentary film, *Terra dos Indios, Land of the Indians*, which showed Angelo Kreta, a Kaingang chief whose "accidental" death several months ago was seen by Indians as an all-too-transparent maneuver to get rid of an overly-active leader.

The film showed the Moa Reservation which spread over 35,000 hectares of land in 1908 but by last year was whittled to one-tenth of that.

In the year 1500, when whites first arrived, there were five million Indians in Brazil. Today, only 180,000 remain.

## Chimp population down

GLAND, Switzerland, July 7 (AFP) — Sierra Leone has agreed to ban the export of wild animals following a sharp drop in the number of wild chimpanzees in the country, the World Wildlife Fund said here.

A WWF report put the current chimp population in the west African republic at 2,000 compared with previous estimates of 180,000. The main reason for the staggering drop was thought to be sophisticated methods used by hunters to catch baby chimps, which were then sent abroad for sale to research laboratories.

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## Right's counterattack also musical

## Left sings its anti-Strauss message

BONN, July 7 (R) — Guitars, loudspeakers, a driving drum beat and raucous lyrics have become the latest weapons in a left-wing campaign to stop conservative candidate Franz Josef Strauss from becoming West Germany's next chancellor.

They are part of an arsenal of propaganda arms, including posters, badges and bumper stickers, used by the "Stop Strauss" movement and its musical brother "Rock against the Right."

The groups portray Strauss as a dangerous rightwinger who would turn the Federal Republic into a police state if he won next October's national elections. They have evoked a predictable response from Strauss and his Christian Social (CSU) and Christian Democratic (CDU) alliance, who say the activists are using Nazi smear tactics to defame the conservative candidate.

As if to demonstrate that music is not the exclusive preserve of the left, the CDU has also commissioned two records, titled "Songs against the Left" which the public has not rushed out to buy.

Despite posters portraying their opponent as a latter-day Hitler, a warmonger and a strike-breaker, many supporters of the Social Democratic (SPD) and Free Democratic (FDP) parties fear the "Stop Strauss" campaigners may be playing right into Strauss hands.

"Strauss loves this sort of opposition, he thrives on it. Those 'Stop Strauss' people really get his adrenalin going," grumbled one SPD activist in Bonn, adding that the movement was actually arousing sympathy for the conservative leader.

"Many people are beginning to see Strauss as a victim of unfair and dirty tactics rather than as a reactionary with some anti-democratic instincts," he said.



Franz Josef Strauss

The standard reply of "Stop Strauss" activists, including the left-wing youth movement of the SPD, the "Jungs" (Young Socialists), is that German politics have become dangerously bland and people must be convinced of the threat to democracy.

Their campaign betrays perhaps as much frustration with what they see as the conservative posture of the present SPD leadership, running for re-election under the slogan "Let us Secure Peace," as it does hatred towards Strauss.

"It's as much a protest against the dull greyneess of our political life as anything else," said a student activist, disillusioned with bureaucratic big-party politics.

But some experts believe the campaign is being manipulated by East Germany and its Communist supporters in this country, a sensitive issue in ferociously anti-Communist West Germany.

West Germany television recently showed a film of a "Stop Strauss" weekend holiday camp near Frankfurt organized by the West German Communist Party's youth movement (SDAJ) and attended by a large delegation from East Berlin's official youth organization.

The film also showed SDAJ leaflets encouraging people to throw rotten eggs and fruit at Strauss' election rallies. Although the vast majority of "Stop Strauss" activists are not Communist, the allegation was enough to provoke controversial reprisals against the campaigners, particularly in Strauss' home state of Bavaria.

An 18-year-old Bavarian schoolgirl has been threatened with expulsion from her high school for wearing a "Stop Strauss" badge in class. Three workers in a Bavarian tool factory were sacked for wearing badges at work and used their employers for unfair dismissal. They have not been reinstated.

"Stop Strauss" campaigners believe these incidents underline their point that Strauss and his friends care little for freedom of thought and speech. But despite his party's loud protests, Strauss does not seem worried by the hate campaign directed against him.

"It consoles me to think that each time these 'Stop Strauss' insects show their faces, it probably wins a few more votes for the conservative cause," he told a television interviewer.

## Malaria-carrying Indian monkey threat to humans

NEW DELHI, June 7 (AFP) — A monkey in India's Andaman Islands is worrying medical experts who have found it carries a strain of Malaria that can also affect human beings.

The discovery that malaria is a zoonotic disease like plague, rabies and Japanese encephalitis was first made in the United States some years ago, but fears that it would upset global malaria eradication program — based on the premise that malaria could only be spread from one human being to another — were dismissed by researchers who pointed out that there was little or no communication between monkey and man.

But the experts in the Andaman Islands, in a government-sponsored study carried out recently showed that the monkey — Macaca umbrosus — and human being suffering from malaria had an identical strain of the disease.

The study also discovered that monkey malaria was fairly widespread in the islands and — most worryingly — was not sensitive to chloroquine treatment. Additionally, the mosquitoes that spread the disease are immune to commonly-used insecticides.

The director general of the Indian health services, Dr. B. Sankaran, described the situation as "very disturbing" and suggested a detailed government probe.

In India malaria used to be one of the most dreaded fatal diseases, killing in the 1950's about 800,000 people a year and sending another 85 million to bed with bone-racking fevers.

By the mid 1960's there were only 100,000 malaria cases, none of which was fatal, but this success did not last long. According to statistics released by the National Malaria

Eradication Program, 2.7 million cases of the disease were reported last year and deaths had risen to 147, although unofficial figures put the death toll at 3,000.

In the Indian states of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Karnataka and Rajasthan, which accounted for 47 per cent of malaria cases registered last year, the mosquitoes have become immune to the insecticide DDT.

In other states, especially in the northeast, the mosquitoes have stopped their normal practice of biting their victims indoors and then resting on the walls. Now they fly into the open and stay there, where DDT cannot reach them.

The problem in the northeastern states has been made more acute with the prevalent Falciparum parasite developing a resistance to chloroquin, the usual medicine for malaria.

## English words hot sellers

## Flood of linguistic imports worries Soviets

MOSCOW, July 7 (AP) — One of the Soviet Union's biggest imports from the West does not figure in anyone's statistics or boycotts, but it has changed the very language of Russia. The import is words, a flood of mainly English words since World War II.

Thus in Russian a "sportsman" can set a "rekord" or even win the "championat" if he wins his "match." A woman athlete, however, is simply a "sportsmennika."

Once adopted by Russian, the imports are embellished with the Russian language's rich repertoire of prefixes, endings and declensions. Witness the saga of "meeting" or "miting." To participate at one became "mitingovats." "Mitingovyi" made it an adjective, thus creating the post of "mitingovyi speaker," or speaker.

The linguistic foundation of Communism is imported. The Russian political bureau (politburo) of the central committee of the Communist party is the Politburo Tsentralnogo Komiteta Kommunisticheskoi Partii, which battles tirelessly with capitalism and imperialism.

An English-speaking tourist often finds that a basic knowledge of the Cyrillic script brings him a long way to finding his way around Moscow. He can ride a "taksi," eat at a "restoran" and relieve himself in a "tualet."

The Soviet reaction to the linguistic inroads has ranged from cautious approval to downright displeasure. According to the *Great Soviet Encyclopedia*, "the specialized vocabulary has become a most important source for the expansion of Russian, but the influx of foreign words must be wisely limited."

Vladimir Vasilyev, a top official of the *Komsomolskaya Pravda* newspaper, took a different line. The "great, powerful, true and free" Russian language, he wrote, is being turned into a "thin, clinched and faceless language."

The import of Western words dates back to the reign of the great Westernizing Tsar I at the start of the 18th century. The primary sources then were Germany and France.

The Germans supplied Peter's military technology, hence military ranks like "feld-febel" for sergeant or "junker" for cadet. Peter's preoccupation with Europeanizing the Russian nobility also brought in the "parukmakher," from the German "perueckmakher" or wig-maker, and "frak," adopted from the German "frackmantel" or evening coat.

The nobility, however, increasingly turned to France for its social niceties, bring in "odekolon" (eau de cologne), "kalsony" (from calcon, or underpants), "garderobe" (coat-room, and culinary goodies like "mantrekor" (suetcase).

The Germans provided the word for Frenchman — "Frantsuz". But Germans were dubbed "Nevozy," from the Russian word for dumb or speechless, because they could not

speak Russian.

With the rapid advance in science and technology after World War II, the Russians turned primarily to the United States for its supply of new terms. Computer is kompyuter, a mathematical function is funktsiya, laser is lazer, injection is inyektziya, cement is tsement, gravel is graviy, a battery is battereya, and on through dwnamo, traktor, lampo, defoliatsiya.

No doubt, to the dismay of Marxist purists, the influence of the decadent bourgeoisie (dekadentskaya burzhuziia) also crept into

Russian with "rockn-rol," "djaz" (jazz) and the almost ubiquitous "djina," (jeans).

Even the dissidents, originally dubbed "inakomysleshchii," or "different minded," have become "dissidenty." English has supplanted a few European imports. The Russian term for office, for example, was once a German "koniora," then a French "buro," only to become, more and more frequently, an "ofis."

The French "brochure," despite its adoption by English, is being pushed aside in Russian by "buklet."



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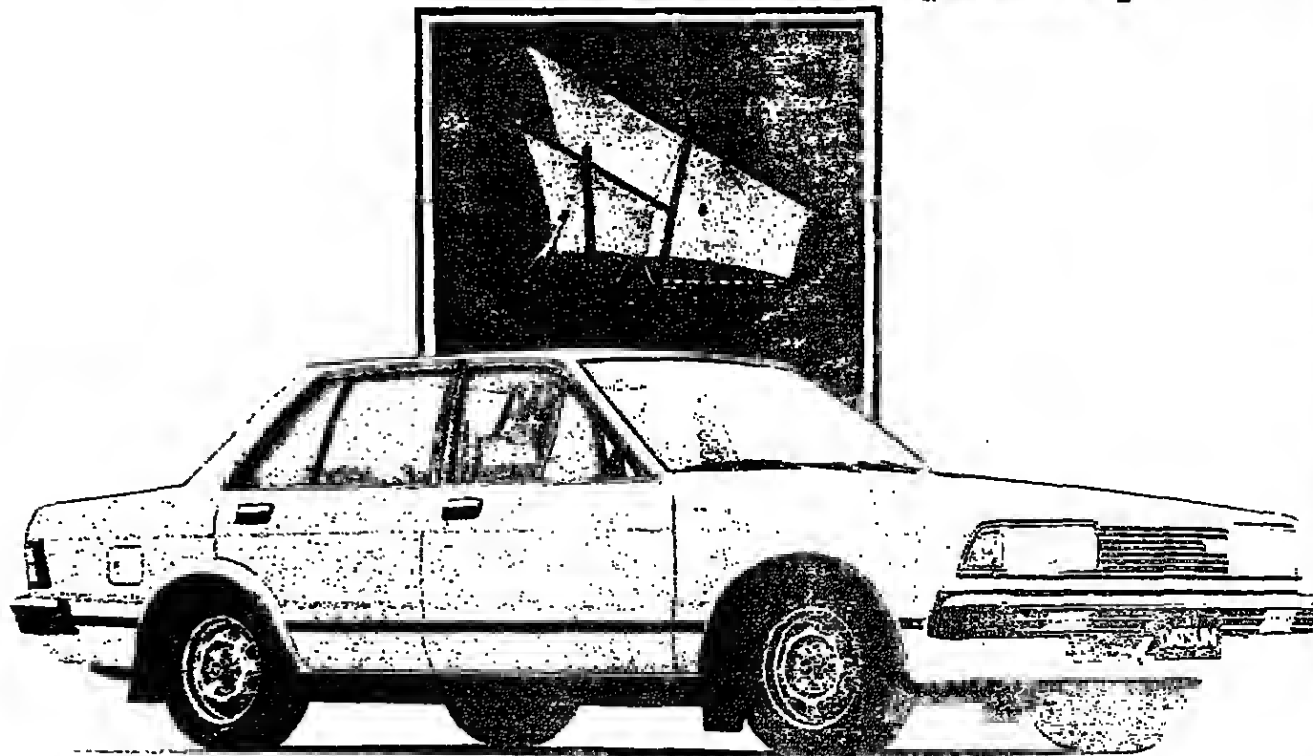
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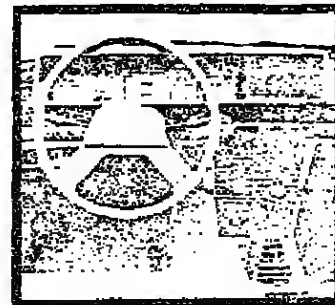
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## BP mining takeover bid biggest ever in Britain

LONDON, July 7 (Agencies) — The giant British Petroleum oil company (BP) Monday moved to take over a major mining finance group in what experts said was the biggest offer ever seen in London's financial history.

The boards of BP and the mining group, Selection Trust, announced they had agreed terms of a \$1.5 billion takeover bid by BP of Selection Trust's share capital. The offer is subject to agreement by the companies' shareholders, and by stock market and international authorities.

### Use of new gold mine considered

JOHANNESBURG, July 7 (AFP) — International mining giants, Anglo-American Corporation and Lonrho, are considering whether to exploit jointly a big gold-and-uranium deposit recently discovered at Welkom, in the Orange Free state, a well-placed source said Sunday.

There was no immediate confirmation from the two groups that they were studying the deal, whose cost was estimated at more than \$780 million.

Stock exchange sources here noted, however, that Anglo-American had asked that dealings in shares of three of its mining companies active in the Welkom area be suspended and that Lonrho had made a similar request for one of its companies.

The deposit was said to lie beneath two farms 10 kilometers (6 miles) east of Welkom, in a rich gold-bearing region 200 kms (120 miles) southwest of Johannesburg. Through its three companies — Free State Saaiplas, Welkom Gold Mining and Western Holdings — Anglo-American has 60 per cent of the prospecting and mining rights in the area. Lonrho holds the other 40 per cent through its company Duker Exploration.

Sources said the new deposit was not overwhelmingly rich in gold, but the elevated price of the metal \$667 on world markets — would make it worth the mining.

years, in the face of rising oil prices and prospects of eventually declining oil supplies. The London-based Selection Trust is a leading mining finance house with worldwide mining interests in rare and precious metals including nickel, copper, gold, silver and diamonds, mainly in Australia, Canada, the United States and Africa.

BP said acquisition of Selection Trust would provide it with a vehicle for developing its mining interests, consistent with its policy of expanding into non-oil based extractive industries. "The Selection Trust group's exploration, management and mining expertise should considerably enhance BP's existing strength in the development and management of natural resources," said BP's statement.

Robin Adam, a BP managing director, said: "We are very pleased that we have been able to reach agreement with Selection Trust, which represents some of the best expertise in the international minerals industry." He said it was intended that Selection Trust would operate as a separate company within the BP group.

The chairman of Selection Trust, John Du Cane, said: "We in Selection Trust have frequently expressed our faith in the future of the mining industry, and our belief that the world is facing a serious shortage of metals in the not too distant future."

BP is rumored to have offered between \$25 and \$37 per share of Selection Trust. The shares have an issued value of 59 cents. At Friday's suspension, they stood at nearly \$29.

## TAP offers to end strike

LISBON, July 7 (AFP) — Striking pilots for the state TAP-air Portugal airline company Sunday proposed that workers immediately go back on the job if the government agreed to cancel special moves allowing it to bypass laws and lay off all airline employees.

The pilots also proposed that workers give up their right to strike for three years if the government would agree to raise company salaries above the annual inflation rate and come up with a plan to make the financially troubled company economically viable.

Last week, the government threatened to eventually shut down the airline which grounded for more than a week by a series of strikes, if the unions did not come up with a scheme to salvage the firm financially.

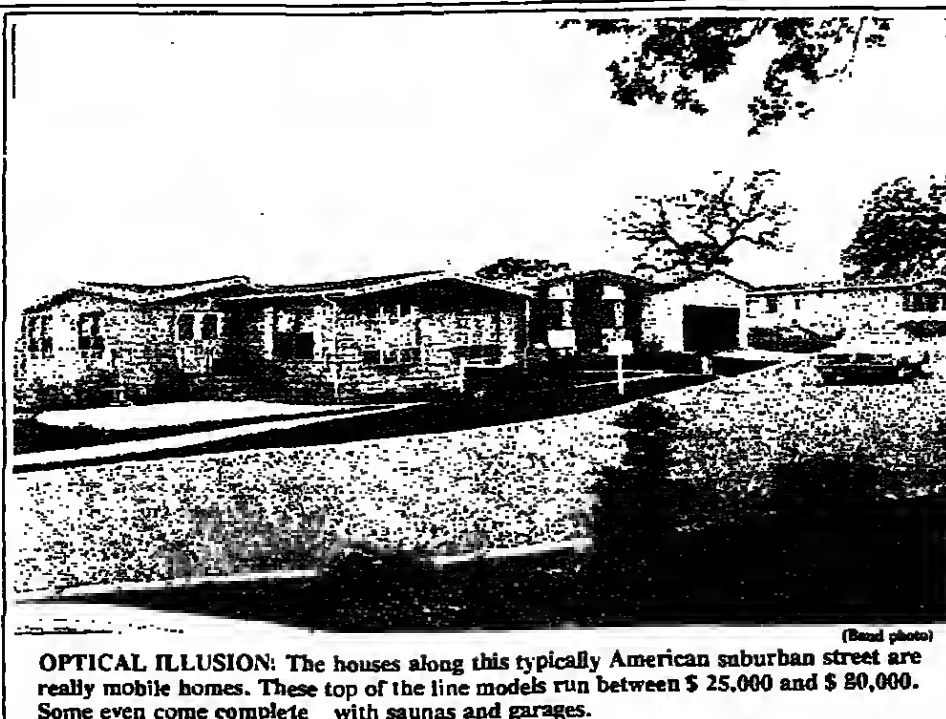
Lisbon also declared the company in economic difficulty, a move that would allow the government to bypass laws preventing the laying off of the TAP air workers and take other special measures. Other unions involved in the dispute are expected to announce their position on the pilots' proposal before a union-government meeting Monday.

## U.S. gas use declines

NEW YORK, July 7 (AFP) — The United States has begun to reduce its dependence on foreign oil, Secretary of Energy Charles Duncan said Sunday.

Interviewed on a television news show, Duncan said that gasoline consumption was 8.1 per cent lower in the first five months of 1980 than one year ago, and emphasized that this year's oil import level was expected to stay under seven million barrels per day, compared to 8.5 million in 1977.

Duncan spoke of the construction program for factories producing synthetic fuel, and added that a recently signed law would allow "the private sector to move forward with these ventures which until now have not been commercially viable."



OPTICAL ILLUSION: The houses along this typically American suburban street are really mobile homes. These top of the line models run between \$ 25,000 and \$ 80,000. Some even come complete with saunas and garages.

## Mills are more efficient

## Canadian steel worries U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 7 — When thinking of Canada, Americans probably envision a Canadian mountie, with his trusty German shepherd, Rex, serenading dreamy-eyed damselfish while tall pines whisper in the background.

What some Americans are only beginning to see is the chugging, heaving, sweating Canadian steel mills whose efficiency, profitability and low-cost steel may fast remove the romance from relations between the United States and its largest trading partner.

North America's fish, fur and lumber capital of the 1800s has become one of the most efficient steel producers in the world and the second largest steel exporter to the United States, behind Japan.

Stelco, Canada's largest steelmaker, this year will open the world's first new integrated steel mill since 1974, while American mills are shutting down and laying off workers. The newest integrated (all manufacturing steps in one location) mill in America was built in the middle 1960s.

"The facility has all the latest techniques in production," said Donald F. Barnett, a vice president and economist at the American Iron and Steel Institute. It incorporates all the cost savings and improvements we would like to have."

While some U.S. steelmakers, in the red, are crying the blues, Canadians are basking in the black. Stelco had profits last year of \$ 156.9 million on \$ 2.1 billion in revenues, while U.S. Steel Corp., America's biggest, had a loss of \$293 million on sales of \$12.9 billion.

What is the price of success? U.S. Steel's Chairman David M. Roderick has hinted that he may file dumping or countervailing duty actions against the Canadian steel industry, a move that could result in heavy fines for the Canadians if they are found guilty. U.S. Steel would have to prove that the Canadians are selling steel here at prices below their costs of production or that the Canadian steelmakers are receiving subsidies from their government to help them sell steel cheaply here and that those actions are injuring the U.S. industry.

But steel experts in Canada and here agree that it is unlikely the Canadians are violating any trade laws. They're just more efficient steelmakers.

The U.S. government several years ago even allowed some Canadian companies to sell steel here at prices below the trigger price mechanism — a system in which steel imports brought into the country under a specific price automatically trigger a government investigation — because they legally produced steel so cheaply.

One reason for the Canadians' success is "our tradition of expectations and momentum," said Henry C. Winters, general manager for marketing of Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd. of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. It's like being on the winning team," Winters paused, then chuckled, "like the Yankees."

But dumping really isn't a laughing matter, and the Canadians say they are watching U.S. Steel closely. The United States filed dumping complaints against the Canadians in 1977 involving pig iron, a minor matter that was never pursued beyond the complaint-filing stage, the Canadians said.

"We don't need to dump," Winters said. "And we don't want to dump. We want to establish long-term relationship with large companies in the U.S."

## Oil income plummets

## Iran feeling the sanctions

TEHRAN, July 7 (AFP) — The screws are tightening on Iran with plummeting oil revenues accentuating the soaring cost of imports following Western economic sanctions decided in protest against the holding of 53 American hostages by Iranian militants for eight months now.

Economic analysts point out that the sanctions have caused Iran no supply problems but have meant paying heavy commissions to intermediaries around the Gulf. The Central Bank has estimated that the cost of imports has risen by 30 per cent.

Monday, Iranian President Abulhasan Bani-Sadr admitted for the first time since the start of the blockade that the situation was worrying him. Inflation is running at an annual average of 40 per cent.

The drastic fall in oil earnings, caused by drastic cuts in production and lost contracts, appears to have forced Iran to adopt a more conciliatory policy, diplomatic sources noted, with Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar announcing Iran would not increase the price of its crude this month.

The Central Bank has given Iranian oil revenues for the 11-month period from March 20, 1979 to February 21 as \$16.5 billion, making the projected total for the full year \$18 billion. Total Iranian revenue for the 11-month period is given as \$19.5 billion against a \$14 billion expenditure.

Oil revenue for the current year to March 1981 is not expected to top \$12 billion, for a total income of \$14 billion. Analysts have estimated this year's expenditure at \$17 billion, leaving Iran with an approximate \$3 billion deficit.

Iran's currency reserves recently stood at

## Spain disputes French terms for EEC entry

LONDON, July 7 (AFP) — France wants to put an "unjustifiable precondition" on Spain's entry to the EEC, according to the Spanish minister for EEC relations.

In the *Financial Times* Monday, Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo said the only essential condition on Spain's entry into the EEC was the return of democracy to Spain.

Is it not a justifiable vow to demand that the EEC reform itself before bringing Spain into the community, Sotelo said. French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing said last month the problems within the community should be better ironed out before the common Market is expanded.

\$15 billion, but with Iranian assets in Western banks frozen as part of the economic sanctions. Tehran has only \$6.50 billion in ready money. Economic analysts here predict the government will have to draw on reserves by September, with the projected \$3 billion deficit draining half the country's available currency resources.

Observers noted the Iranian government appeared to share this view, with Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh saying in a speech on Saturday that in addition to satisfying earlier demands concerning alleged U.S. interference in Iran, Washington "must settle the issue of blocked Iranian deposits and the problem of economic sanctions."

## Iran to regroup its oil sector

TEHRAN, July 7 (R) — Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar said Sunday he plans to reorganize Iran's oil industry and may dissolve the state companies which currently run it. He told the official Pars news agency the ministry itself would be reduced in size and function as headquarters and coordinating body.

The national oil, gas and petrochemical companies might be dissolved or merged, or else new companies would be set up which would be in line with the Islamic revolution of Iran," Pars quoted Moinefar as saying.

Sunday as a widespread move to Islamization continued in Iran, Pars reported 33 more people were purged from the oil ministry, where more than 700 have already lost their jobs. Those purged have been said to be adherents of the former Shah's regime and agents of his secret police Savak.

State radio reported that Bulgaria signed a contract Sunday to buy one million tons of oil in the second half of 1980, double its purchases in the first half. The new contract is equivalent to some 40,000 barrels per day (BPD). Moinefar said Iran's oil exports have risen 25 per cent this month from June. This would put them at some one million BPD. The minister said Sunday that total production had risen above two million BPD following the export increase.

Part of the increase reported by Moinefar is probably due to Turkey's recent agreement to buy 3.4 million tons in 1980 instead of 1.9 million, and to new deals with Spanish companies, industry analysts said.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

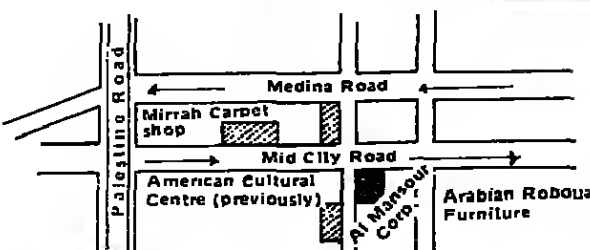
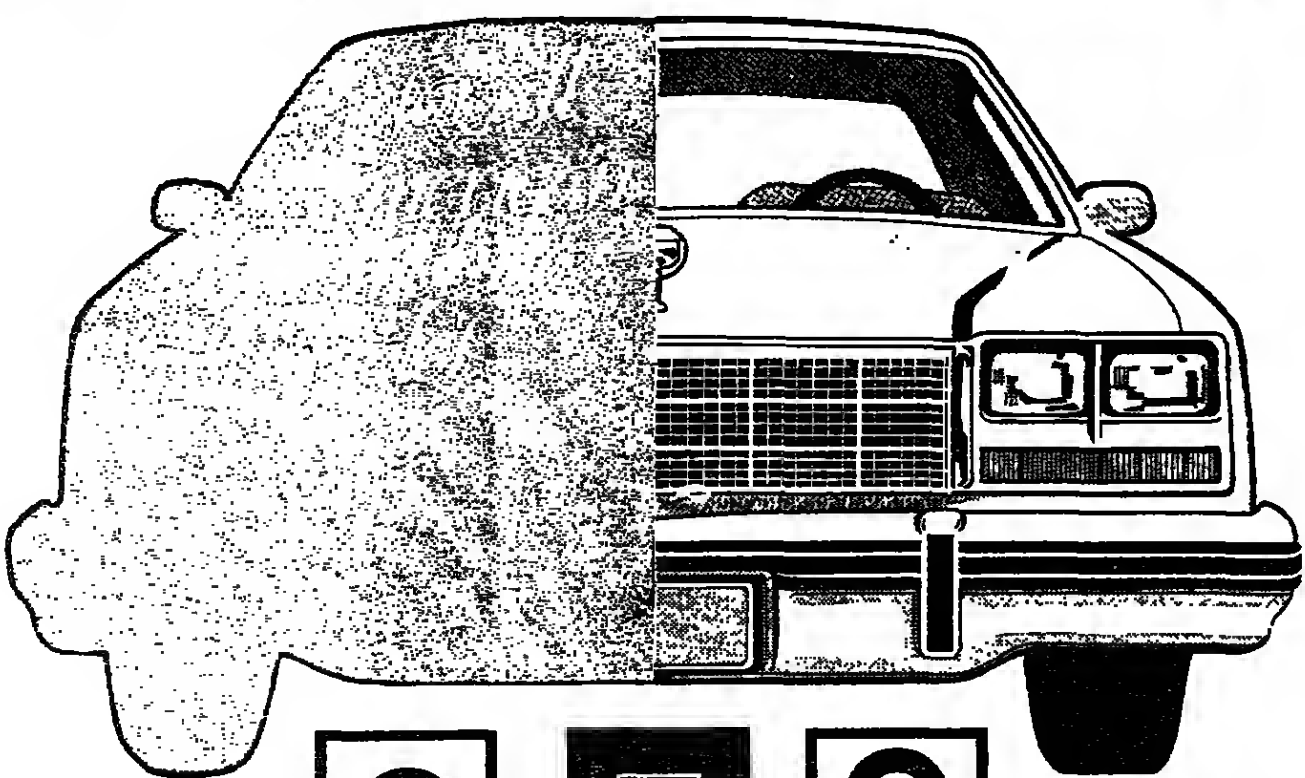
Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Monday

	SANIA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	5.83	5.83
Belgian Franc (1,000)	119.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.91	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	190.00	191.50	191.10
Dutch Guilder (100)	174.00	—	174.20
Egyptian Pound	—	4.25	4.37
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	90.20	90.20
French Franc (100)	82.00	82.50	82.40
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	81.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	43.00
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	40.00	40.20	40.10
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.20	—	15.40
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.41	11.41
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.50	12.50
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	98.05	98.50
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	86.00	86.50
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	53.75	53.75
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	55.25
Pound Sterling	7.85	7.90	7.89
Qatari Rial (100)	—	91.76	91.76
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.58
Spanish Peso	—	50.00	48.70
Swiss Franc (100)	207.00	208.50	208.40
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.25	87.00
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	45.00	—
U.S. Dollar	3.33	3.34	3.335
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	73.75	73.25
Gold kg.	—	71,700.00	—
10 Tolas bar	—	8,350.00	—
Silver kg.	—	—	—

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ABN Bank	25.00	25.00
ACF Holding	25.00	25.00
ADCO	25.00	25.00
AMEC	25.00	25.00
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## EXCHANGE RATES

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Britain	July 4	2.2500
Canada	July 4	0.7500
France	July 4	6.5596
Germany	July 4	3.3637
Italy	July 4	1.3667
Japan	July 4	163.26
Netherlands	July 4	2.2037
Spain	July 4	166.37
Sweden	July 4	4.6633
Switzerland	July 4	2.0371
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## BOND INFORMATION

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## FOREIGN ISSUES

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Mitsubishi Telegraph and Telephone Co., guaranteed by Japan, 100 million Swiss francs, due 1990, 5.5% at par, Swiss Bank Corp., 3-6 July.			
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U.S. GOV'T NOTES & BONDS			
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Notes	Bid	Asked	Change
10% September 1961	101.22	101.30	UP 8
12% October 1961	104.20	104.26	UP 6
12% November 1961	104.12	104.20	UP 8
11% December 1961	103.16	103.28	UP 12
11% May 1963	105.26	106.2	UP 12
10% December 1963	103.22	103.28	UP 14
10% May 1965	103.4	103.32	UP 6
8% August 1966	103.14	103.12	UP 6
10% November 1969	104.12	104.20	UP 4
Bonds			
10% November 1994	98.26	98.10	UP 14
10% February 1995	100.30	101.14	UP 20
8% November 2003-2008	87.24	88.24	UP 16
9% May 2004-2009	91.14	92.4	UP 18
10% November 2004-09	102.4	103.4	UP 16



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COME ON, LIEUTENANT, GIVE US A LITTLE SOFT-SHOE

CONTRARY TO POPULAR CONCEPTION, THOSE OF THE AFRICAN PERSUASION DO NOT INNATELY POSSESS INORDINATE SYNCOPATION

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SORRY TO SHAKE YOU UP LIKE THAT, SIR

BLONDIE

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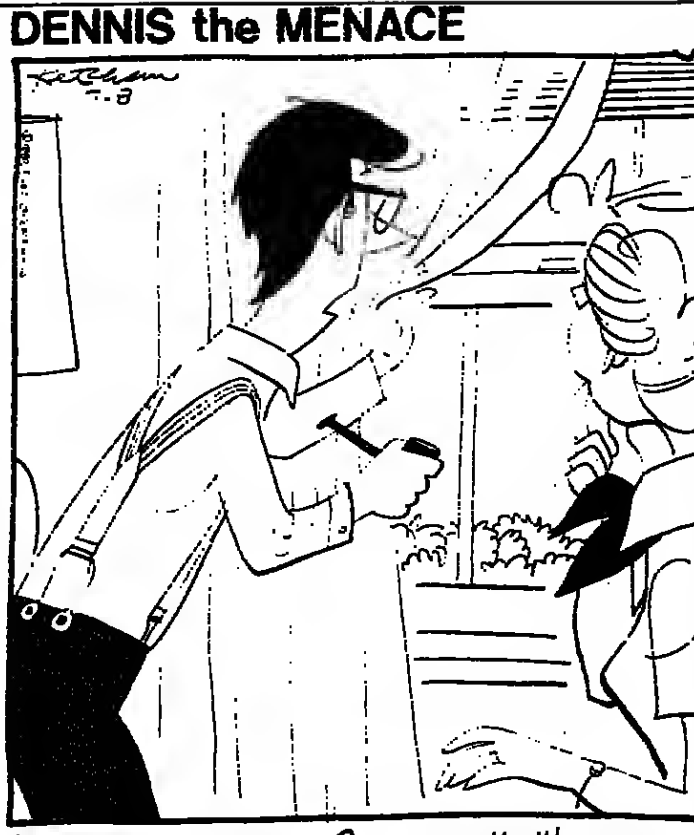
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### Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

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♠ 10 9 4  
♥ 10 7 2  
♦ J 8 5  
♣ 9 6 3 2

**WEST**  
♠ K 6 2  
♥ Q 8 5  
♦ K Q 10 7  
♣ J 7

**EAST**  
♠ 8 5 3  
♥ J  
♦ 9 6 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ A Q J 7  
♥ A K 6 4 3  
♦ A  
♣ A K 5

The bidding:  
South West North East  
2♥ Pass 2NT Pass  
3♦ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

A declarer should be willing to sacrifice a trick intentionally if it increases his overall chance to make the contract. Thus, if South makes four hearts in the present case he scores 820 points, if he makes five hearts he scores 850 points, but if he goes down one in four hearts he scores minus 100 points.

The 30 points declarer can gain by making five hearts are a drop in the bucket compared to what he can lose if he goes down trying for an overtrick. Going down doesn't cost

declarer just 100 points; it also costs him the 820 points he could have scored for making four hearts.

Consider this deal where West leads the king of diamonds. South sees that his potential losers are a spade, a club and an uncertain number of heart tricks. How many trump tricks he will lose depends on how the trumps are divided or on how he plays the suit.

After winning the diamond, declarer plays the ace of trumps, East producing the jack. If South carelessly continues with the king, he goes down — losing two trump tricks, a spade and a club. But South should not play the king of trumps after East's jack appears. The jack may well be a singleton, in which case the king play would be fatal.

Declarer should reason that East started with either the singleton jack or the doubleton Q-J. By leading a low trump next, South can limit himself to one trump loser. This safety play costs him a trick if East has the doubleton Q-J, but South can easily afford to lose 30 points to insure the contract.

In the actual deal, if South decides to play safe and lead a low trump towards dummy at trick three, he loses only one trump trick — regardless of which heart West chooses to play — and thus makes the contract.

### Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake  
FOR TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1990

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈  
Innovative ideas serve you well in domestic sphere. Be on the lookout for income improving projects. Watch extravagance.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉  
Take the initiative in romance. Be responsible to a close ally's offbeat suggestions. Watch judgment re money in the p.m.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) ♊  
Go ahead with new work ideas. Profit potential looks good. You'll accomplish more from behind the scenes than through a direct approach.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) ♋  
Investigate new hobbies. Writing projects and friendly visits favored. Watch a tendency to withdraw into yourself in the p.m.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌  
An aggressive approach works in business. Get the jump on competitors. Eat, drink and be merry may be your motto later. Curb appetites.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍  
An unexpected invite should please you. Affairs at a distance favored. Make travel plans, but watch judgment re business.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎  
Innovative ideas bring career success. Research projects favored. Don't take things for granted re travel or distant affairs.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏  
Enjoy cultural pursuits. Try something new. Parties afford romantic opportunities, but don't get involved in unwise financial schemes.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐  
Begin new work projects. Strike while the iron's hot. Minor misunderstandings could occur with close allies. Watch mutual extravagance.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑  
Social life highly favored now. You can strengthen existing ties and also make new ones. Watch a tendency to goof off at work.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒  
If you'll attend to business and cut out wasteful activities, you'll make progress now. Your work may receive recognition.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓  
Pleasant surprises now re leisure activities and romance. Don't neglect domestic obligations, though. Creativity high!

### Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS	39 Make eyes (at)
1 Window support	40 Gridiron number
5 Meaning	41 Sambar, e.g. DOWN
11 Garcon's object	1 Pick at
12 More penetrating	2 Incensed
13 Velocity	3 Novel idea
14 Slip by	4 Soap substance
15 Colorado Indian	5 Visionary goals
16 Chemistry setting	6 Toast for a soprano
17 Resident of (suffix)	7 Shade of green
18 Ben-Hur's enemy	8 Was status-quo oriented
20 — transit...	9 Unruly
21 Consequently	
22 Russian river	
23 "I do" it again	
25 V.M.I. student	
26 To be: Fr.	
27 Pear variety	
28 Hawaiian hospitality symbol	
29 Bubbled, as if boiling	
32 Sea bird	
33 He's no gentleman	
34 Tool	
35 Stocking	
37 Excited state	
38 Doctor's solution	

Yesterday's Answer

10 Paradoxure	27 Much traveled, as a path
16 Panegyric	29 Show segment
19 Irish fairies	30 Ostracize
22 Political cartoonist	31 Sidetrack
23 Press statement	36 Ullmann
24 Without end	37 Turf
25 "Betty —"	

### ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

**DAHHRAN TV**

4:30 Children's Show  
6:17 Sanford and Son  
7:45 Safety Film  
8:30 Horizon  
8:27 Family  
9:00 Lullie

**VOA**

P.M.  
8:00 News Roundup  
Repeats: Aerialsities;  
Opinion: Analysis  
8:30 DateLine  
9:00 Special English  
News, Feature, The Making of a Nation  
9:30 News Summary  
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)  
10:00 News Roundup  
Repeats: Aerialsities  
10:05 Opinion: Analysis

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2:05 Gens of Guidance  
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2:30 On Islam  
2:30 Radio Magazine  
3:00 NEWS  
3:10 Press Review  
3:15 Music  
3:20 World of Musicians  
3:30 A Selection of Music  
3:40  
3:50 Cutdown

**BBC**

Morning Transmission

8:00 World News  
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours  
8:30 News Summary  
8:30 Sarah Ward  
8:45 World Today  
9:00 Newsday  
9:00 Sports Star  
10:00 World News  
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours  
News Summary  
10:30 Sarah Ward  
10:45 Something to Show You  
11:00 World News  
11:09 Reflections  
11:15 Piano Style  
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978  
12:00 World News  
12:09 British Press Review  
12:15 World Today  
12:30 Financial News  
12:40 Look Ahead  
12:45 The Tony Myatt

Evening Transmission

8:00 Opening  
8:01 Holy Quran  
8:05 Gens of Guidance  
8:15 The Evening Show  
8:45 Reflections of a Muslim  
10:00 Islamic Contributions  
10:10 Music  
10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle  
10:30 Bouquet  
11:00 The World of the Guitar  
11:15 Round and About  
11:45 On Islam  
12:00 In the Orbit  
12:30 Music  
12:45 A Reminiscence with Dreams  
01:00 Cutdown

Evening Transmission

8:30 Take One  
8:45 Sports Round-up  
9:00 World News  
9:09 News about Britain  
9:15 Radio Newsworld  
9:30 Farming World  
10:00 Outlook News Summary  
10:39 Stock Market Report  
10:43 Look Ahead  
10:45 Ulster in Focus  
11:00 World News  
11:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
12:15 Talkabout  
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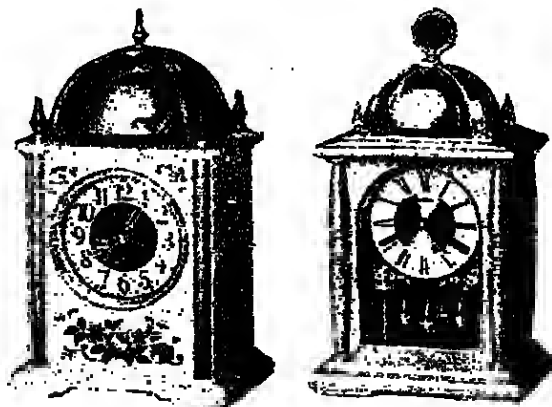
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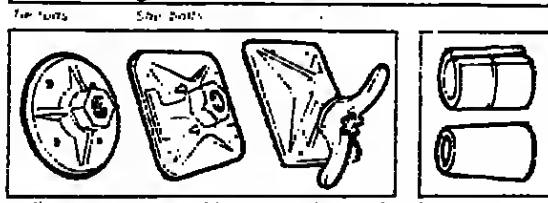
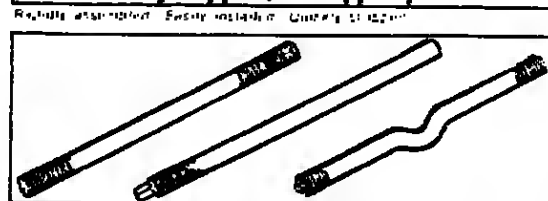
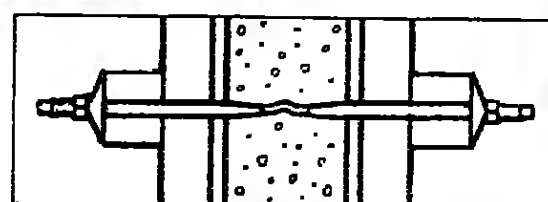
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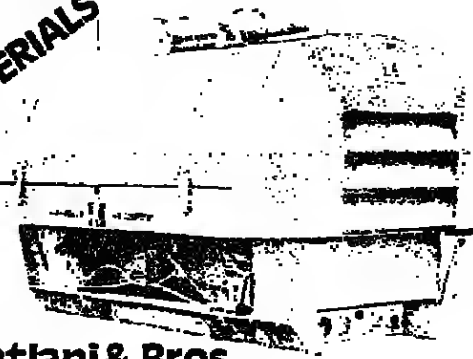
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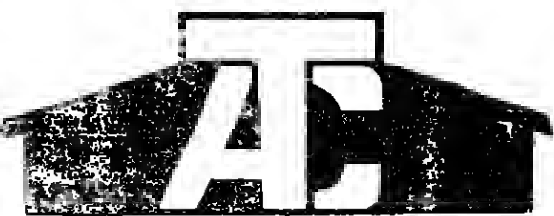
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International

## S. Africa threatens Zimbabwe trade ban

PRETORIA, July 7 (AFP) — Economic relations with Zimbabwe could end as a result of Salisbury's closing Saturday of the South African diplomatic mission. South African Foreign Minister Rieck "Pik" Botha has hinted.

"The continuation of economic links will, of course, be seriously hampered if all governmental contacts are ended," he said, referring to Zimbabwean Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's desire to continue economic relations despite the diplomatic break.

Mugabe Saturday had said Zimbabwe was prepared to accept South African economic sanctions as a result of the break in relations, although he recognized the importance of South

African trade. Zimbabwe had never officially recognized South Africa, but had kept the diplomatic mission open after the all-white government of Rhodesia lost power.

Botha also denied having recruited Zimbabweans for subversive purposes against Zimbabwe or any other country. Salisbury simply received and studied applications for admission to the regular South African armed forces, he said. Some of these were accepted, he said.

South Africa "consistently behaved correctly towards Zimbabwe in accordance with international practice and norms, despite unfriendly statements by the government of Zimbabwe," Botha said.

## French policy 'independent'

Giscard d'Estaing defends course as basically pro-West

FRANKFURT, July 7 (AFP) — France is following a policy of independence but is neither neutral nor neutralist, and has never cast doubt on its membership in the Western Camp, French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing said in an interview published Monday in the daily *Frankfurter Rundschau*.

If called on, his country will fulfill its obligations without weakness, he said, insisting on the great importance of consulting with the Western allies, particularly West Germany.

Giscard arrived in Bonn for talks Monday. Giscard d'Estaing emphasized that France was behaving in accordance with the West's general interests, but was basing its actions on its own analysis and convictions.

Asked about "many Germans' fears about building nuclear power plants and other polluting industrial plants in border areas, he said that France will fight vigorously against pollution problems — particularly those which could harm a neighboring country. But this could not put brakes on a nuclear program that was indispensable to his nation and will be pursued unrelentingly.

Asked about the majority of the French left's so-called opposition to West Germany, the president said that all French and Germans seemed to wish for reconciliation and sincere cooperation between their countries. He told the newspaper that he had no plans for an official visit to East Germany, with which France has had diplomatic relations for seven years.

Relations between France and West Germany had attained a quality which no one could have predicted in 1963, when a friendship and cooperation treaty was signed between the two countries, and his rapport with West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt was based on "friendship and trust," Giscard said.



President Giscard d'Estaing

## Medals okayed for U.S. athletes

WASHINGTON, July 7 (AP) — The U.S. Senate recently completed congressional action on legislation authorizing special gold-plated medals for the athletes who earned a place on the U.S. Summer Olympics team but will not be going to Moscow because of the American boycott.

The bill, which passed the Senate by voice vote, authorizes the mint to strike up to 650 medals to be presented to the athletes in a Congressional ceremony July 30. The House adopted on a 375-28 vote. The \$50,000 for striking the medals is to come from the 1980 appropriations to the U.S. Olympic Committee.

The legislation was introduced in the Senate by Sen. Gary Hart (D-Col.) who said its purpose is "to honor and thank the amateur athletes who have earned places on the U.S. Summer Olympic team."



PROTECTOR: An Egyptian gander, self-appointed guardian of a brood of mallard chicks, supervises a march to the feed trough at a game park in California. The mallards were deserted by their mother.

## Violence feared at Pamplona fest

PAMPLONA, Spain, July 7 (AP) — The first day of the running of the bulls at the week-long world-famous festival here passed without physical injuries Monday, but fears of eventual political violence floated in the air.

The six bulls to be stabbed to death in the afternoon were led to bull ring corals through the city's old quarter, preceded and followed by hundreds of young men clad in the traditional white shirt and trousers and with a red sash around their necks.

Police precautions have been taken to brace for clashes between groups supporting and opposing the leftist Basque separatist organization ETA.

Last week, police arrested 18 alleged ETA members who reportedly were planning violence aimed at ruining the festival. Police said at the time that those arrested had plotted to assassinate three policemen in Pamplona before the festival.

Two years ago police bullets killed a leftist

youth during the festival. That sparked rioting across northern Spain and forced cancellation of the festival.

ETA, fighting for the independence of the Basque region, is demanding integration of Navarre province, of which Pamplona is the capital, into the autonomous system of the neighboring Basque region.

## Hammer parley ends

WARSAW, July 7 (AP) — The third Armand Hammer Peace and Human Rights conference has closed here issuing a manifesto calling for total detente and worldwide observance of human rights.

The conference was organized by the International Institute of Human Rights in Strasbourg, France, headed by former French Premier Edgar Faure. Hammer, chairman of the U.S.-based Occidental Petroleum Company, sponsors the conventions annually.



QUAKE: A car faces a landslide blocking a highway at Ito City, Japan, after an earthquake last week. The quake shook much of eastern Japan, including parts of Tokyo, 100 kilometers from the place this picture was taken.

## Charles' link with princess irks N. Ireland Protestants

LONDON, July 7 (AP) — The Northern Ireland conflict was dragged into a row Monday over whether Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, would be allowed to marry a Roman Catholic and make her his queen.

The controversy erupted after recent press reports linked the 31-year-old prince, who as king would be the leader of the Anglican Church of England, with Catholic Princess Marie Astrid of Luxembourg.

Four leaders of the Protestant Orange order in Northern Ireland are claiming that the British secretary of state for Northern Ireland, Humphrey Atkins, allegedly assured them at a recent meeting that no change was contemplated in the 1701 law which removes from the line of succession any member of the royal family who marries a Catholic.

But a spokesman at No. 10 Downing Street said the Protestant claims were "rubbish." Mrs. Thatcher was expected to answer questions on the matter in the House of Commons soon.

The Northern Ireland office also has strongly denied that Atkins ever gave such assurances. It said the official minutes of Atkins' meeting with Protestant leaders shows only that the envoy said he "was aware of no constitutional change in the office."

If Prince Charles wanted to marry Princess Marie-Astrid — and so far he has expressed

no such desire — Parliament would have to change the ancient act of settlement law forbidding such a union.

Recently, however, Lord Halsam, the lord chancellor and a member of Mrs. Thatcher's cabinet, said that whomever Prince Charles decided to wed, "our constitution is flexible enough to deal with such a marriage."

Nevertheless, the row could pressure Prince Charles against choosing the Luxembourg princess as his bride. Since King Henry VIII, the British monarch has been the leader of the Anglican Church.

British government sources claimed that Northern Ireland Protestant extremists were "using" the prince to aggravate the conflict between Protestants and Roman Catholics in the British Province where 11 years of sectarian violence has claimed more than 2,000 lives.

British gossip columnists, including the *Daily Mail's* Nigel Dempster, claim that Charles' mother, Queen Elizabeth II, reportedly favors the Luxembourg princess as his future bride despite her religion. A recent visit to Luxembourg of the queen sparked a flurry of rumors that she was "arranging" a marriage between her son and the 26-year-old princess. But Buckingham Palace denied the reports and said the monarch was there for an official visit.

## Copyright on detective expires Holmes, Moriarty to clash again?

LONDON, July 7 (AP) — The new adventures of Sherlock Holmes, the world's most famous detective, are about to begin. Monday is the 50th anniversary of the death of Holmes' creator, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Under British law, the copyright on an author's work ceases 50 years after the author's death.

So Sherlock Holmes and his loyal assistant Dr. Watson, as well as their arch-foe Moriarty, not to mention Micah Clarke of Monmouth's rebellion, Brigadier Gerard of the Napoleonic wars, and the Hound of the Baskervilles, all creations of Conan Doyle, can be made into books, put into plays, and turned into films, without a penny in royalties to anybody.

Those closely involved are philosophical about it. Lady Bromet, 67, Conan Doyle's daughter and a retired director of the Women's Royal Air Force, says she hopes that present-day writers will write some new stories featuring her father's great investigator, and that the stories will have style.

John Grey Murray, head of the 200-year-old John Murray publishing house, which has published Conan Doyle for more than 60 years, says he expects increased competition but thinks he can meet it.

Murray has issued a collected edition, omnibus volumes and paperbacks of Sherlock Holmes stories. The publisher's chief worry is that Conan Doyle's texts will be emasculated, as they will no longer be protected from alteration or simplification.

The settling of Conan Doyle's literary legacy provided a lawyers' feast for half a century. One biographer calculated that in the first 46 years after the writer's death, about one third of the income from his works was dissipated in legal costs.

Interest in Holmes around the world is enormous. Benny Green, a London critic, said that while still in copyright, Holmes was translated into 41 languages, including Eskimo, Esperanto and shorthand, and that in 1958 the Conan Doyle estate disclosed that it was receiving royalties in 72 different currencies.

There is a concordance to Holmes, a glossary, two encyclopedias, a gazetteer, an atlas and a heraldry, 54 plays, 116 silent films, 81 talks, a ballet and even a Broadway musical, "Baker Street."

Holmes and Watson shared rooms at 221B Baker Street, a real street in London running north to south from Regent's Park to Wigmore Street.

The present-day company which occupies 221B Baker Street has a department to answer the letters which arrive every day from all over the world soliciting the help of Sherlock



Actor Christopher Plummer in the role of Sherlock Holmes

Michael Hurdwick, a London writer who has written books and plays based on the Sherlock Holmes stories, said that the fame of the character eclipsed the creator. "There are more than 500 Sherlock Holmes societies in the world, but if there is one devoted to Conan Doyle I have yet to hear of it," he said.

Hardwick related that he discovered one London library has a small exhibition on the anniversary of the author's death and that after prodding from Murray's, there has been a stirring of interest among bookshops, broadcasters and the press.

Holmes fever goes to extraordinary lengths. In 1968, Lord Gore Booth, head of the Foreign Office, dressed up in Holmesian clothes and appeared at the Reichenbach Falls in Switzerland to re-enact the struggle with Moriarty, which ended with Holmes and his foe toppling over to their deaths.

Conan Doyle's attempt to get rid off his hero, of whom he was tired, created indignation among a public eager for more Holmes stories and the author had to bring him back. Conan Doyle was born in Edinburgh in 1859 of an artistic family. He trained to be a doctor but preferred writing. His first Holmes story, "A Study in Scarlet," appeared in 1887.

Conan Doyle, who believed in the existence of fairies, achieved a later fame as a propagandist for spiritualism. He died at the age of 71 on the morning of July 7, 1930, in a house on the Sussex County moorlands at Crowborough, 69 kilometers south of London.

## Shah getting better, his doctors say

CAIRO, July 7 (AFP) — The condition of the ex-Shah is improving, his temperature has dropped and he is "recovering as he should be," his spokesman Robert Arnao said Monday.

Late last night the Shah's temperature was down to 37.5 degrees centigrade and he was able to feed himself "very, very lightly," Arnao said. However he was still being fed intravenously.

The spokesman said the patient was being kept up to date with the international situation, read several newspapers and his family and friends read books to him. "He is going to return to Kubbah Palace as soon as possible," Arnao said. The palace was placed at his disposal by President Anwar Sadat.

The medical team taking care of the ex-Shah is hopeful after having lowered his temperature with the help of antibiotics and stopped internal bleeding by surgery, the daily *Al Akram* reported Monday.

The deposed Iranian monarch entered Maadi Military Hospital about 10 days ago so that a considerable amount of fluid could be drained from his left lung.

Meanwhile, doctors were reportedly still concerned by the weakness of the patient's general state, which was putting him at the mercy of the slightest infection — which was why a complete medical team was attending him around the clock, the newspaper said. "The doctors have done their best, and lives are in God's hands," the newspaper said.

## New Hebrides rebels spurn peace move

PORT VILA, New Hebrides, July 7 (AFP) — The Anglo-French peace mission in the New Hebrides suffered a serious setback Monday when the secessionist regime of Jimmy Stevens refused to allow negotiators to land at Espiritu Santo.

The northern new Hebridean island has been in a state of revolt against the central government in Port Vila since May 28 when Stevens' supporters seized power in the island's main town of Luganville.

Jean Arribaud from the French External Territories Department and Alan Donald from the British Foreign Office had planned to fly to Santo Monday morning on an aircraft chartered from Air Melanesia. But a message was relayed to them in Port Vila through the French gendarmes radio on Santo which said that their aircraft would not be permitted to land.

A French constitutional lawyer, Arnaud Lizon, who was allowed-land in a chartered plane on Santo last Friday and make contact with the rebels, was told Monday that he had to leave the island by boat as the rebels would not allow an aircraft to pick him up.

The news of the setback led to the Chief Minister Father Walter Lini calling for a strengthening of the economic and communication blockade on Espiritu Santo. Addressing what is probably the last meeting of the national assembly before independence on July 30, Lini said his government believed that greater pressure should be exerted on the rebels by tightening the blockade.

He said this would be far better than sending police to incite the rebels because action of that kind would lead to deaths.

Once before the Santo rebels turned back an airborne peace mission. That plane was sent by the Hebrides government just a few days into the rebellion.

## Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

Tourism ain't what it used to be. Or was it always that good only in the glossy brochures in tourist offices. Only there can you still find those miles and miles of lonely, golden beaches (or reasonably lonely, since there must be the usual bevy of lonely, golden girls gracing them). In reality, you rush from the airport, unshaven and jet-lagged with about three hundred middle age men all equally unshaven and jet-lagged, right into the hotel which is still under construction, with a view of the raging, oil polluted waves and dirty, long concrete beaches. There you spin out your allotted week away from work, talking about work and taxes to equally disgruntled men "of a certain age."

This year, I am planning to go to Italy for a week. While not very optimistic about the prospects in any case, I was made even more despondent and alarmed by the phrase book I picked up for that purpose. For its writer, clearly a man who knows what he is talking about, has chosen what he thought the phrases would be of most use to the traveller — and it is this that disturbed me. The book is divided into chapters describing the (catastrophic, it would seem) progress of the hapless tourist from airport to hotel and then back home.

At the airport you are enjoined to memorize well (and to watch yourself in the mirror while doing it) these Italian phrases:

— I have lost my luggage!  
— It contains many valuables!  
— I also lost my ticket!

Then, you are given the possible answer by the airport officials:

— No. You have not lost your luggage. It is held up in the airport strike!

After this you move to the hotel (no further mention of your luggage). And there you are to expect these phrases from the hotelier:

— There is no reservation in your name.  
— And: No, we have no vacancy!

But all this is nothing compared to what happens once you are (somehow) inside the hotel room. The phrases chosen, in lambent Italian, are:

— There is no water! — There is no electricity!

— My wife has fallen out of the window. And, to complicate matters further:

— Fire! Fire! My room is on fire!

Finally, having had your holiday and are about to go home, you pick up the phone and speak one of the following:

— The Red Brigades have abducted my wife!

— How much do they want to release her?

— How much do they want to keep her?

On second thought, maybe Spain is better.

Translated from Ashury Al Awwat

## Kasa kasa banned

SINGAPORE, July 7 (AFP) — The Singapore customs department has banned the import and sale of kasa kasa, a key ingredient in the preparation of mutton and chicken curry, under the misuse of drugs act. Kasa kasa, which the customs say is a poppy seed, has been used for years, especially by Indians, in making curry. Ground with dried chili, pepper and garlic, it is said to sweeten the dish.

No official comment on the ban was available. Customs men swooped on several shops around the city last week and confiscated about 400 kilos of kasa kasa, a considerable amount as the seeds are very light.

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